



PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

March 15, 2022

Board of Recreation and Parks (RAP) Commissioners
Michael A. Shull, General Manager, RAP
Cathie Santo Domingo, Assistant General Manager, RAP
Darryl Ford, Planning Supervisor, RAP

Via email to the above recipients

Re: George Wolfberg Park (Park) at Potrero Canyon; 3/17/22 meeting of the RAP Facility Repair and Maintenance Commission Task Force, agenda item 2A (3/17 Meeting)

Dear RAP Commissioners and RAP officials:

For 49 years, Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the most broad-based community organization and voice of the Palisades. The Potrero Canyon project began with the City's purchase of the site 58 years ago with the goal to create a park connecting the Palisades Recreation Center and the coast. PPCC – which was instrumental in 2004 in helping to jump-start the then-stalled project via a motion and City Council action – has been following the Park's progress for decades.

This year, Pacific Palisades is proudly celebrating the centennial of its founding in 1922. PPCC and the community at large look forward to the Park's completion during this centennial year.

We appreciate that the 3/17 Meeting will include an update on Park conditions as related to damage from recent storms. We share an interest in learning about the measures undertaken or proposed by the City and/or its contractor to mitigate any damages and remedy unsafe conditions.

At the same time, we bring to the RAP Commissioners' attention our letter to City officials of March 7, 2022, in which we have requested answers to several questions about aspects of the Park's landscaping. See the attached March 7 letter, also linked at: <http://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/03/PPCC-EC-Potrero-Questions-1.pdf>.

Further questions: In light of apparent damage to hillside areas as a result of recent storms, has the City conducted or will it conduct any study or investigation as to the safety to the public of trails, pathways or other Park features on or near steep slopes in the vicinity of the area depicted in the box labeled "Main areas of major storm damage," in photos attached to the 3/17 Meeting agenda? If so, will the results be made publicly available? If not, why not?

PPCC has not received a response to date to the March 7, 2022 letter. We respectfully request that RAP officials provide answers to our questions at the 3/17 Meeting or at an upcoming public meeting of the RAP Commissioners; or, should City officials decline to present at a public meeting as we originally requested, we request written answers to our questions at the earliest opportunity.

Pacific Palisades Community Council
RAP Commissioners, et al.
March __, 2022

Thank you for your anticipated courtesy and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Executive Committee, Pacific Palisades Community Council

David Card, Chair
David Kaplan, Vice-Chair
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John Padden, Organization Representative (P.R.I.D.E.)
Joanna Spak, Elected Representative (PPCC Area 1)

Attached: March 7, 2022 letter

cc (via email):

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