



## PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

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January 27, 2023

Hon. Ben Allen, CA State Senator, CA Senate District 24

Hon. Jacqui Irwin, CA State Assemblymember, CA Assembly District 42

Hon. Traci Park, Los Angeles City Councilmember, L.A. Council District 11

Re: Request for collaboration

Dear Councilmember Traci Park, Assemblymember Jacqui Irwin and Senator Ben Allen,

PPCC has been the most broad based, representative, voice of the Palisades community since 1973. At our first meeting of the year on January 12, our board reached a unanimous consensus to ask that in light of funding secured by Congressman Ted Lieu (through the Congressional Omnibus bill) for the construction of the “Lateral Trail” connecting the newly opened George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon to Temescal Canyon Road in order to provide safe coastal access, your offices work together to secure an agreement between the City of Los Angeles and Caltrans, which allows city access to the property held by Caltrans that is necessary for the engineering and construction of the Lateral trail.

The Trail has long been contemplated as part of the planning of the George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon, and is in fact, a requirement of the Coastal Permit granted by the Coastal Commission. The trail is intended to connect the Park to the Coastline, by way of the signal light at the Temescal Cyn Rd. & PCH intersection. I have attached Coastal Commission letter as well as a map of the trail.

With \$1.15M in funding for the trail now secured by Rep. Ted Lieu, we urgently need the City and Caltrans to work together to enable the design and construction of this trail, and we ask for your help. Members of the PPCC have met and spoken with your respective staff members and we know progress has already been made. We ask that you continue to press for a proper agreement in place so LA City and its BOE can begin the process of planning the trail and offering this community a cost estimate and a timeline for its completion.

Sincerely,

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President

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