

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 05/10/2020 11:05 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please keep this iconic culture alive in an old City with originality being demolished.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Natalie

**Date Submitted:** 05/11/2020 06:36 AM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** To whom it may concern: It is vital to do what we can to preserve the great history of Los Angeles. As a child I grew up coming here with family and through school field trips. I learned so much about the people here before us that helped make Los Angeles what it is today. The family owned businesses are hurting right now and it's so important the necessary measure are taken to extend help to them in this time of need.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alison Stolpa

**Date Submitted:** 05/11/2020 08:57 AM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please approve additional rent forgiveness for April and May -- and throughout the length of the pandemic -- in order to aid the recovery of Olvera Street, El Pueblo Monument and the City of LA. Olvera Street is an essential part of LA and as a community, we must support the families who own businesses there.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Manny Gonez  
**Date Submitted:** 05/11/2020 08:58 AM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999  
**Comments for Public Posting:** Please see the attached letter



May 8, 2020

Budget and Finance Committee  
City of Los Angeles  
200 N Spring Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

**RE: Consideration of the Mayor's FY 2020-21 Proposed Budget for Urban Forestry**

Dear Budget and Finance Committee,

**TreePeople believes that a healthy urban forest is essential infrastructure to a thriving, sustainable, and resilient city.** Los Angeles's urban forest, if planned and managed well, can protect Angelenos from many of the current and future impacts of climate change including saving lives from extreme heat, capturing and cleaning water, improving human health and wellbeing, and providing many other life-supporting benefits.

Given the sobering reality of Mayor Garcetti's proposed budget and the Newsom Administration's recent projected \$54 billion budget deficit in California for FY 2020-21, this letter puts forward two critical requests that would ensure the City's significant progress in urban forestry is not lost this budget cycle.

To better align with the Mayor's priorities expressed in the Green New Deal and to better serve Angelenos, especially during this difficult time, we respectfully request these two items be given strong consideration:

- **Funding to maintain the current urban forestry staff level and provide support staff for the City Forest Officer without any additional personnel changes. This includes funding to support the proposed *new* positions for the City Forest Officer in the Board of Public Works. We also strongly oppose the Mayor's proposed elimination of the 7 vacant positions in the Urban Forestry Division of the Bureau of Street Service.** It is critical to strategically support the urban forestry workforce in the City to sustain Los

Angeles's urban forest and the desired benefits for current and future generations.

- **\$400,000 or more for a complete Urban Forestry Management Plan.** With the first-ever City Forest Officer and the ongoing street tree inventory, we believe it is past time to develop an urban forestry management plan that serves as a roadmap for urban forestry management in the City.

Thank you for your leadership and support for Los Angeles's urban forest. We look forward to working with you on this critical issue to achieve a greener, healthier, and more climate-resilient future for all Angelenos.

Respectfully,

Manny Gonez  
Director of Policy Initiatives  
TreePeople

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President  
Laurel Canyon Association

Julie Kremkus  
President  
Nichols Canyon Neighborhood  
Association

Cc:  
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## Communication from Public

**Name:** Elinor Lenehen

**Date Submitted:** 05/11/2020 01:47 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** We are strenuously against the continued flight paths of jets over our neighborhoods. Please stop this outrageous noise in our quiet neighborhoods. Sincerely, Elinor and Tom Lenehen Bel Air , CA.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Darrell Stephen Johnson  
**Date Submitted:** 05/11/2020 02:52 PM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999  
**Comments for Public Posting:** What determines how City Lines are drawn and how does redistricting occur. Main concern Public Works in vital areas.