

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Mercel Chambers  
**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 03:09 PM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Attention Esteemed City Council Members, I'm writing because the Pacific Palisades requires your attention. About a month ago my 14-year-old daughter and two of her girlfriends were at the Palisades Park when they were approached by a large group of teenage bullies. They flashed tasers at the girls and spoke aggressively. When my daughter turned her back to get closer to her friends, one of the boys zapped her with his taser on her back. The group of bullies then ran off to terrorize another group of younger boys, flashing their tasers and threatening violence, to a point that the young boys ran into a nearby tennis court where they found an adult and were able to call the police. Eventually, when the cops arrived, the bullies had scattered, and nothing of any consequence happened. Out of concern, I've since collected a group of parents to walk the area friday nights to observe the children and ask if anyone has any tasers. What I've observed on these walks is ridiculous. I've seen groups of kids running amok. They vandalize the neighborhood by throwing trashcans and jumping on them, spray painting, blowing up fireworks by buildings or in high-risk fire areas like the park, assaulting each other or various members of the community, they steal, huff whip-its, drink alcohol, or ride around on electric motor-bikes that can go over 40mph. Not all of them wear helmets and it's a tragedy waiting to happen. These bikes are not street-legal and yet the cops do nothing to get them off the streets. Does a child need to die before something happens? I could go on, but I think you get the picture. We must enact change. I urge you to prioritize plans for our community's safety. I'm not a city planner but I don't imagine it would take more than a pair of officers dedicated on high-traffic nights to patrol, talk to kids, confiscate illegal items, write some citations, and protect the peace. Thank you for taking the time, Mercel Chambers

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Lindsay Collins  
**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:18 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Esteemed City Council Members, I'm writing because the Pacific Palisades requires your attention. About a month ago a 14-year-old friend of my daughter was at the Palisades Park and was approached by a large group of teenage bullies. They flashed tasers at the girls and spoke aggressively. When the girl turned her back to get closer to her friends, one of the boys zapped her with his taser on her back. It shocks and leaves a mark like being branded, frightening for any person. The group of bullies then ran off to terrorize another group of younger boys, flashing their tasers and threatening violence. In response to this night, some parents have decided to walk around the Palisades on Friday evenings and see what's going on. They've seen kids vandalizing the neighborhood by throwing trashcans and jumping on them, blowing up fireworks by buildings or in high-risk fire areas like the park, assaulting each other or various members of the community, stealing, drinking and riding around on electric motor-bikes that can go over 40mph. Not all of them wear helmets and it's a tragedy waiting to happen. Our kids, these kids, are at risk. It is common for teens to push boundaries and rebel, but to ride motorbikes without helmets, set off fireworks and brandish tasers?! Someone is bound to get hurt. We believe most of these kids are actually looking for someone to hold a boundary and show that there is a community that cares about them. We must enact change. I urge you to prioritize plans for our community's safety. Thank you for your help. Lindsay Collins

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Barbara Lettieri  
**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:25 PM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear LA City Council, My son and his friend went to the Palisades Rec Center to play some basketball on a recent Friday evening, and instead of enjoying basketball, one girl got tazed and my son was chased though the Palisades by kids on electric bikes. I don't want the kids to be punished criminally, but they have to know it's not right and we need extra police coverage there before somebody gets seriously injured. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rachel Damavandi

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:26 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Hi. A very good family friend's son and his friends were assaulted at Palisades Rec Center. This was very upsetting for me to hear as i raised my children there and felt like it was a safe and protected places but it seems like things have changed. Being a long time resident of the Palisades I would like to request more of a police presence there to avoid an incident like this from happening again in our community. Thank you

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Marcela Silva

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:26 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please have LAPD patrol Palisades Rec center area on weekends. Rec centers should be safe places for children, teens, and families to hang out safely.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Amy Turteltaub

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:49 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council members, A few weeks ago my 13 year old son and a group of his friends were hanging out in Palisades Park and they were chased by a group of teenagers. One of my son's friends was tased. Since that incident I have heard of countless other kids being harassed in the park. Currently a group of concerned dads are patrolling the park on the weekends. Please consider after dark patrols mainly on Friday and Saturday nights. Thank you so much for your support. Amy Turteltaub

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kathryn Serota

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 04:55 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, The community of Pacific Palisades needs your attention immediately. Dangerous activity is happening regularly with zero consequences to the predators. Our children are living in fear to go to the park or to be out with their friends and it is essential that we put a stop to this. We are a big part of the City of Los Angeles and we expect our neighborhood to be protected. A group of our children were attacked recently, and things are progressively getting worse. We cannot afford to wait any longer as more harm will ensue. Sincerely, Kathryn Serota

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 05:13 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The lack of safety at the Palisades Rec Center is a huge cause for concern. As someone who grew up in the Palisades it is disheartening to watch the beloved park become a place of violence and crime. To hear numerous stories of children being assaulted or theft occurring at the Pali Rec Center is just appalling. There is a clear need for police enforcement in the area. I hope the city council makes the correct decision to help get the Palisades Rec Center back to what it was. A place for children and their families to gather in peace.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 05:18 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Children deserve to feel safe in their own neighborhood.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dr. Clyde Thomas/Tom Williams

**Date Submitted:** 12/01/2023 05:08 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT The City of LA has failed to address the demonstrated extreme fire hazard of the storage of flammable/combustible materials (including vehicles with plastic, rubber, and fuels) beneath raised portions of freeways and bridges throughout the City of LA. Such storage represent fire dangers to the infrastructure elements and to adjacent structured properties, e.g., US-101 Bridge - 460-1180 E. Aliso and across the street from the south limits of Piper Center

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Gary Rubenstein

**Date Submitted:** 12/02/2023 08:25 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Yes, I'm very supportive of any motion to strict encampments around our critical infrastructure like freeway underpasses, very high fire severity zones, and environmentally sensitive habitat areas. In general there should be no encampments anywhere in the County. I can appreciate the empathy for some of the homeless but many have mental and drug issues that threaten us all. There has to be measures to remove them to places where they can get treatment until they are no longer a threat to us or themselves. Millions of taxpayer dollars are being poured into the Homeless Industry in Los Angeles and all the agencies and NGOs that support them. There is virtually no accountability to measure the results. It is in their best interest to keep the funds coming. When is enough enough? Walking in the neighborhood should not be a threat to our safety. I support the efforts of Traci Park and others in the City Council to start to address this priority, quality of life issue.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/02/2023 09:25 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please support Council woman Traci Park in her efforts to protect our infrastructure. When the 10 freeway was recently closed down, we all saw how vulnerable our city can be when the infrastructure is not protected.

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/03/2023 08:25 AM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** There have already been too many fires. It is safe to assume that one day one of them will be catastrophic. Please ensure everyone's safety by clearing the encampments.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Sheila Morovati  
**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 01:32 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, The community of Pacific Palisades needs your attention immediately. Dangerous activity is happening regularly with zero consequences to the predators. Our children are living in fear to go to the park or to be out with their friends and it is essential that we put a stop to this. We are a big part of the City of Los Angeles and we expect our neighborhood to be protected. A group of our children were attacked recently, and things are progressively getting worse. We cannot afford to wait any longer as more harm will ensue. Sincerely, Sheila Morovati

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 05:26 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** At Pali Rec center, which is supposed to be a place for recreation, playing, and enjoying childhood, our kids are getting attacked. One of the assets to our community has now become a liability and a scary place, rather than a fun safe neighborhood place to meet up with friends. Our child was bombarded by a group of teens who harassed and tazed him and his friends, just last weekend. If we could get an officer to monitor and protect our children it would make visits to the park feel safer and hopefully deter these antagonists.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Alison greiner

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 06:45 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am very concerned about the safety of the children in our community. There have been many instances of assault, underage alcohol and drug consumption, vandalism and reckless use of illegal fireworks. I believe strongly that we need police presence at the park.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jennifer Chambers  
**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 07:39 PM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999  
**Comments for Public Posting:** I am concerned about the lack of security and safety in Palisades Park. My daughter was tased there by a boy who was with a big group of boys

## Communication from Public

**Name:** aida garcia-toledo

**Date Submitted:** 12/04/2023 10:09 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, Our Pacific Palisades community recreation center has become an unsafe zone on weekend evenings. Dangerous and reckless activities have taken over with zero consequences to the predators. Both children and neighbors are fearful to go to the park or to be out after dark with their friends. Children have gotten hurt. Property has been damaged, but the trend continues. The groups responsible continue to congregate weekend after weekend, knowing that there are zero consequences for their actions. It is essential that we put a stop to this before something even more serious happens. We are a big part of the City of Los Angeles and we expect our neighborhood to be protected. Please take action and address this growing security threat in our neighborhood. Sincerely, Aida Garcia-Toledo

## Communication from Public

**Name:** H Morris  
**Date Submitted:** 12/05/2023 10:21 AM  
**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** As a resident of the Pacific Palisades and a mother of three young children, I am writing to express my concern over the increasing safety issues that are routinely happening at the Palisades Park. With each passing incident that goes unchecked, the reputation that it is an area in which bad behavior and crime is tolerated only increases. Fights regularly occur here, graffiti is a common sight, and now innocent children are being attacked. Every community deserves to have an area that is safe for our children to play, have lessons from beloved coaches, and spend time with their friends. I ask that you please address these issues before they become even greater and more children are hurt. Thank you.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Rachel Baldino

**Date Submitted:** 12/05/2023 11:09 AM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Dear Council Members, I write to add my support to the safety of the community of Pacific Palisades. Dangerous activity is happening regularly with zero consequences to the predators. A group of children in our community were attacked recently and nothing has been done to change this situation or bring the perpetrators to justice. Since then, our children fear going to the park or to be out with their friends, and the parents are incredibly worried for their children's safety. We must put a stop to this. This is a beautiful, meaningful part of the City of Los Angeles and we expect our neighborhood to be protected. We cannot afford to wait any longer as more harm will ensue. Sincerely, Rachel Baldino

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Kamille

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2023 11:31 PM

**Council File No:** 00-9999

**Comments for Public Posting:** Please approve the red curb on 5th & Hill. Everytime I go to my unit on 5th and Hill, I feel unsafe from the open drug dealing hiding behind all the parked cars. You have an opportunity to help us feel just a little safer.