



Invitation to Park/Trail Walk to Discuss Equine Support in Echo Park

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Dear Ms. Gilbert,

I hope this email finds you well. I am reaching out on behalf of the Echo Park community and LA Hearts for Horses (also known as Echo Park Corral), a group dedicated to preserving the equine culture in our vibrant neighborhood.

Echo Park has historically been home to a strong equine community, and we believe it's time to restore and celebrate this rich heritage. As part of our efforts, we would like to invite you to join us for a park/trail walk to observe firsthand the current conditions of the area, specifically the lack of equine signage, hitching posts, and essential reminders to encourage responsible trail sharing among all users.

We also wish to advocate for the installation of "No Motor Bikes" signage and to emphasize the importance of keeping dogs on leashes at all times to ensure the safety and comfort of horses, riders, and other trail-goers. These improvements would greatly enhance the experience for equestrians in Echo Park, a neighborhood where the equine community still thrives but is in need of more support and presence.

During the walk, we would also like to explore the feasibility of adding equine signals and hitching posts at strategic locations that would support and encourage horse riders and vehicles to safely share the streets. Additionally, we'd love to discuss the possibility of installing a shadow box trail guide at key entrances, as outlined in Exhibit A, the attached map.

We are hopeful that, with your help, we can restore a sense of equine culture to Echo Park while creating a more inclusive and supportive environment for all trail users. LA Hearts for Horses is just beginning our efforts, and we are committed to moving forward in a positive, respectful, and loving manner, with the hope that this initiative will serve to benefit both the equestrian community and all those who enjoy the park and trails.

We would be incredibly grateful for your time and support in this matter, and we look forward to the opportunity to walk the trails with you and further discuss these ideas. Please feel free to contact me at [your phone number] or [your email] to arrange a suitable time for the walk or to ask any questions.

Thank you for considering our request, and we hope to hear from you soon.

Warm regards,
Jamel Josset Gonzales

LA Hearts for Horses, Inc.

Elysian Parks Stables/ EP Corral

2 attachments



Letter to LA City_Gene Gilbert 02-26-25.pdf
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Exhibit A - Preliminary Map 01_02-26-25.pdf
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City Council

District 13

Los Angeles, CA

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Sincerely,

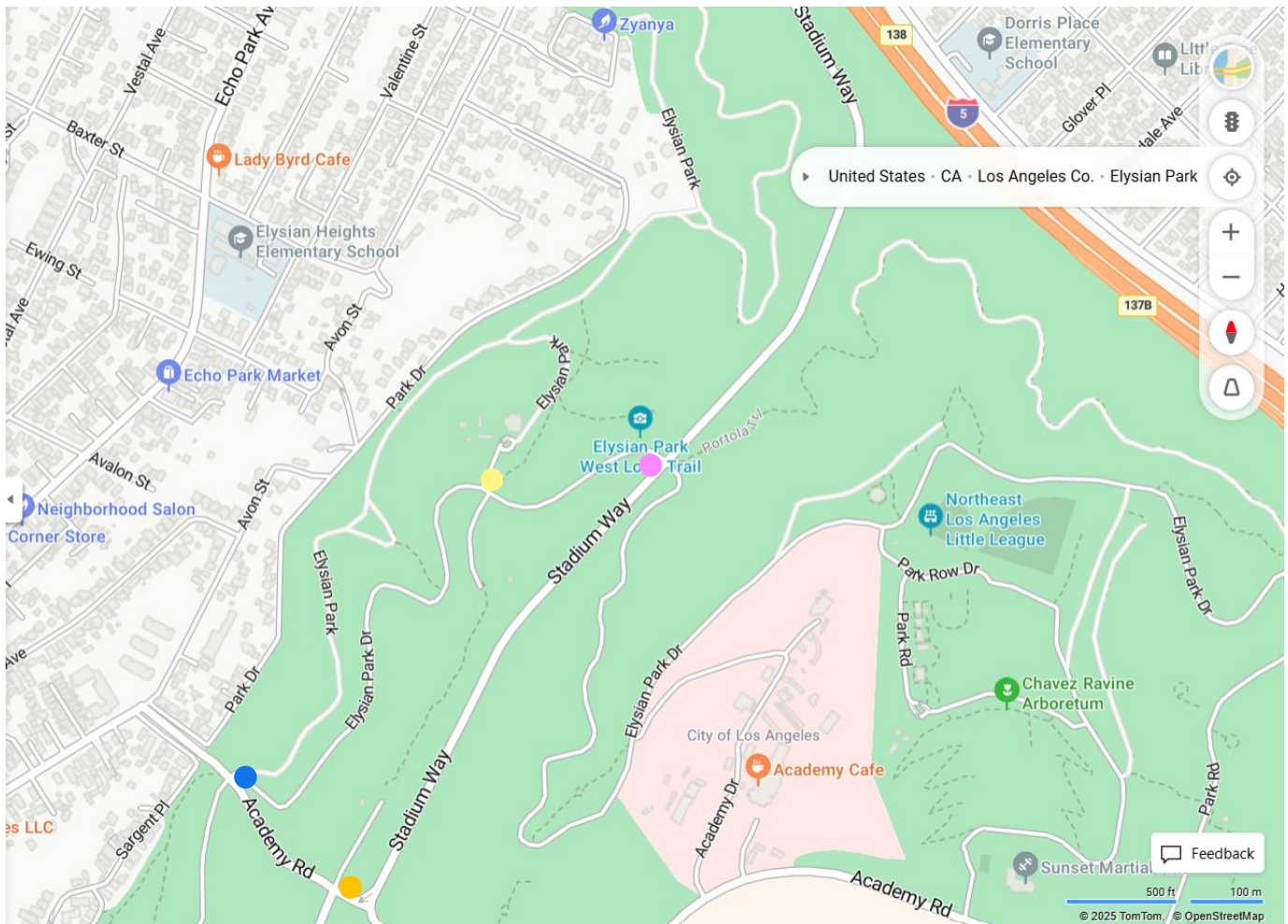


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LA Hearts for Horses, Inc.

Echo Park, CA





Equine signage requested to be provided & installed at:

- Academy Rd + Elysian Park/ Elysian Park Dr
- Academy Rd + Stadium Way
- Stadium Way + Elysian Park West Loop Trail
- Elysian Park West Loop Trail + Elysian Park