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May 10, 2017

Re: Council file #11-1246-S1

Dear Chairman O'Farrell and Hon. Members of Arts, Parks and River Committee;

The Board members of the Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee support a Pre-Fabricated equestrian/bike bridge from Atwater to the LA Bike Path, and for equestrians access to Griffith Park riding trails.

The bridge design and implementation should be respectful of the equestrian community's needs for safety in all aspects of interaction with bicycles traveling on the L.A. Bike Path.

Equestrians were consulted briefly originally, but their concerns were not given any priority in the planning phase. These concerns were never incorporated in the ultimate plan for the LaKretz Bridge.

Please enter this letter in the Council file.

Sincerely,

Dale Gibson, President

Lynn Brown Vice President





May 12, 2017

Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell, Chair
Arts & Parks Committee
Re: File 11-1246-S1

Sent via email to:
Eric (Roderico) Villanueva
eric.villanueva@lacity.org

Dear Councilmember O'Farrell and Committee Members,

We write on behalf of the community members of Atwater Village Always, a group of residents, equestrians, business owners, and property owners in Atwater Village. Our community has been generally supportive of a bridge in North Atwater that would provide safe passage across the Los Angeles River. Among other things, a bridge would allow equestrians from the historic Atwater Rancho to safely cross the River, so they could access the equestrian tunnel that leads to over 50 miles of bridle trails in Griffith Park. Of the two proposals currently under consideration, we favor the more affordable, safer version as offered by the City.

As you evaluate any proposed bridge, we ask that you give careful consideration to a number of factors. First, we hope the bridge would be safe for equestrians to use as a means to cross the River, especially in light of the fact that it might also serve as a crossing for cyclists and pedestrians. The Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee can provide important guidance in maintaining equine safety in the coordination with bicycles and pedestrians. We also ask that the design of the bridge fit into the surrounding historic Atwater Rancho, one of the last remaining equestrian areas in the City of Los Angeles. And, finally, we feel it makes most sense that the proposed bridge in North Atwater be designed so that it is congruous with other nearby River bridge projects, such as the one being considered for the Glendale Narrows Riverwalk.

Thank you for considering all of these ideas as you move forward with the bridge project.

Sincerely,

Jackie Sloan, Kelly Blanpied, Cheryll Roberts



Eric (Roderico) Villanueva <eric.villanueva@lacity.org>

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1 message

Harold Parker <hparker9@gmail.com>

Mon, May 15, 2017 at 9:23 AM

To: eric.villanueva@lacity.org

Cc: "Akalynnbrown@aol.com" <Akalynnbrown@aol.com>

Dear Mr. Villanueva,

I am an equestrian and have ridden out of Atwater Village to the trails of Griffith Park for over two decades.

I support the position of the Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee, regarding the prefab bridges, set forth in its letter, dated May 10, 2017, (copy attached) to Chairman O'Farrell and the Members of Arts, Parks and River Committee , dated May 10, 2017.

Best regards,

Harold Parker



Atwater Bridge Letter-1.pdf

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Eric (Roderico) Villanueva <eric.villanueva@lacity.org>

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1 message

Charles Callanan <ccallanan@crdattorneys.com>

Mon, May 15, 2017 at 8:57 AM

To: "eric.villanueva@lacity.org" <eric.villanueva@lacity.org>

Cc: "Akalynnbrown@aol.com" <Akalynnbrown@aol.com>

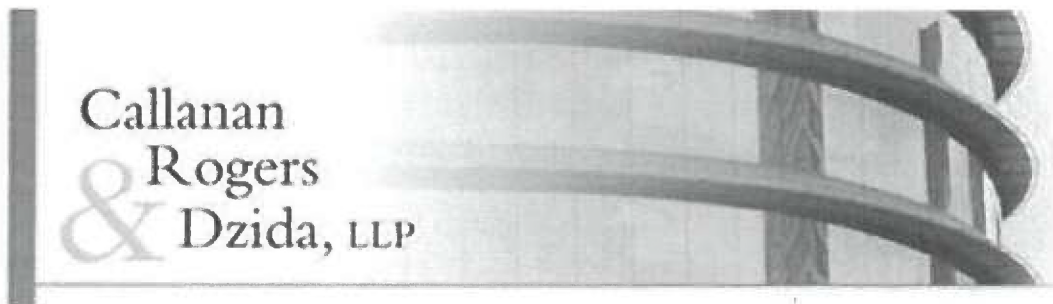
Good morning:

I am an equestrian and have ridden out of Atwater to the trails of Griffith Park for approximately twenty five years.

I support the position of the Los Angeles Equine Advisory Committee, regarding the prefab bridges, set forth in its letter, dated May 10, 2017, (copy attached) to Chairman O'Farrell and the Members of Arts, Parks and River Committee, dated May 10, 2017.

Thank you for your consideration.

Charles Callanan



Charles F. Callanan