

Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(18) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 01/19/2017

Type of NC Board Action: Against

Impact Information

Date: 04/30/2017

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 16-1456

Agenda Date: 01/19/2017

Item Number:

Summary: The Lincoln Heights NC is against the motion to include language to change the access of playgrounds to only children and their guardians. Limiting teenager and young adult access to swings and limited park space in areas where there is already limited access to green open space is unfair to our young adult population. If a 17 year old wants to swing on a swing or study in the grass under a tree, they should not be prevented from doing so. In Lincoln Heights, there is already limited activities for teenagers and denying them the use of park space is discriminatory. There is no differentiation between playgrounds and the grass that surrounds it. The language in the council file is too vague and therefore the policy should remain as is.



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January 19, 2017

Honorable City Council  
c/o Office of the City Clerk  
Los Angeles City Hall  
200 North Spring Street, Room 395  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council requests that the following Community Impact Statement be attached/added to Council File 16-1456 regarding Limiting Access to Children's Playground.

### COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council opposes the proposal because:

The Lincoln Heights NC is against the motion to include language to change the access of playgrounds to only children and their guardians. Limiting teenager and young adult access to swings and limited park space in areas where there is already limited access to green open space is unfair to our young adult population. If a 17 year old wants to swing on a swing or study in the grass under a tree, they should not be prevented from doing so. In Lincoln Heights, there is already limited activities for teenagers and denying them the use of park space is discriminatory. There is no differentiation between playgrounds and the grass that surrounds it. The language in the council file is too vague and therefore the policy should remain as is.

This Community Impact Statement is based on the action taken at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting on January 19, 2017, when the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council adopted the following motion by a vote of 18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining and directed that a Community Impact Statement be filed reflecting its position.

Motion: The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council urges the City Council's Arts, Parks, and River Committee to not adopt the *Limiting Access to Children's Playground proposal*.

Sincerely,

Cesar Rosas, President  
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

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