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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(16) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 07/09/2022

Type of NC Board Action: Against

#### Impact Information

Date: 08/04/2020

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

Council File Number: 20-0190

Agenda Date:

Item Number:

Summary: The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council is opposed to Councilmember Joe Buscaino's motion to arm park rangers. There is a consensus forming city-wide that we need less police-style patrolling/armed officers and more outreach services. As a community that is only steps away from Griffith Park, we are compelled to express our opposition to arming park rangers. We recognize the importance of safety to park rangers and others, but we believe arming them would further put our unhoused neighbors residing in Griffith Park and other city parks at risk of injury or death. Black Angelenos account for less than 10% of the overall City population yet account for about 40% of the City's unhoused population, and as we have seen, Black Angelenos are disproportionately the victims of police brutality. We believe the City should instead deploy unarmed, outreach workers to assist unhoused Angelenos instead of exacerbating fear of them in our public parks. We ask you to join us in opposing this motion.



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Re: Council File: 20-0190 Armed While On Duty/Park Rangers/Los Angeles  
Municipal Code (LAMC)/ Section 63.41/AmendmentDate of NC Board Action:  
07/09/2020

Type of NC Board Action: AGAINST

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Sincerely,

The Silver Lake Neighborhood Council