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Comments for Public Posting:	Please see the attached letter from Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC), expressing strong support for the proposed amendment to the Municipal Code to establish the operating hours of George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon in Pacific Palisades as sunrise to sunset. These hours of operation have been promised to the Palisades community by City officials for almost four decades, since at least the 1985 EIR for the park project, and repeatedly ever since. We urge the Committee to approve and the City Council to adopt this ordinance amendment at the earliest opportunity. Thank you. Sincerely, Christina Spitz, PPCC At-large Representative (per PPCC President Maryam Zar).

PACIFIC PALISADES COMMUNITY COUNCIL

February 9, 2023

Subject: Support for Draft Ordinance amending Section 63.44.B. 14(c) of Article 3, Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to add George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon to the list of parks with specific opening and closing hours.

Sent via email to:
Traci Park, L.A. City Councilmember, Council District 11
Councilmember Eunisses Hernandez, Chair, Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee of L.A. City Council
Councilmember John Lee, Committee member
Councilmember Heather Hutt, Committee member

Dear Councilmembers Park, Hernandez, Lee and Hutt,

The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has been the most broad-based, representative voice of Pacific Palisades since 1973. We have recently seen the opening of the George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon (GWPPC) and are now proudly the host community for this beautiful new regional passive park. The Park has long been promised to be a sunrise to sunset park with operating hours that are posted from sunrise to sunset, secured with trilogy locks that automatically unlock and lock at those hours. As such, the city attorney has proposed the amendment of section 63.44.B. 14(c) of Article 3, Chapter VI of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to add George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon to the list of parks with specific opening and closing hours, by adding, in alphabetical order, the George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon to the list of City parks that are identified as being Closed at Sunset, open at Sunrise.

We fully support this draft ordinance and urge you to do the same. City officials have long promised the Palisades community – dating back, at least, to express representations made in the 1985 EIR for the Potrero Canyon Park project, and in repeated public and private assurances to residents in the ensuing 38 years – that the hours of operation for this large, passive regional park would be from sunrise to sunset. This is a significant matter of public safety and we urge the Neighborhoods and Community Enrichment Committee to support the adoption of this ordinance amendment.

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The Pacific Palisades Community Council (PPCC) has called for signage specifying that the park's hours of operation from sunrise to sunset, and submitted the linked letter in November of 2022: https://pacpalicc.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/GW-park-at-PC-Signage.pdf . We thank you in advance for your swift support of this amendment to add the passive George Wolfberg Park at Potrero Canyon to the list of LA City Parks that open to the public at sunrise, and close at sunset.

With warm regards,
Maryam Zar
PPCC President

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