MOTION

Echo Park Lake is an iconic public space in Los Angeles and a treasure for the local community. The park was closed to the public for two months in spring 2021 and has remained cut off from the community ever since by a temporary fence with limited access points and operating hours. The entire community should have unhindered access to their park during operating hours. As the Department of Recreation and Parks returns to pre-pandemic operations at Echo Park Lake, the City should comprehensively assess park accessibility to ensure that all neighbors can get to and enjoy the park safely and conveniently.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council direct the Bureau of Engineering (BOE), with support from the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP), to report with an assessment of ADA accessibility of pedestrian facilities (sidewalks, curb ramps, etc.) around Echo Park Lake and their connections to park pathways, including costs to achieve ADA compliance and relative priority within the City's Sidewalk Repair Program.

I FURTHER MOVE that the City Council direct the Los Angeles Department of Transportation (LADOT) to report with recommended quick-build treatments to improve pedestrian and bicycle accessibility to Echo Park Lake including, but not limited to, restriping and/or upgrading existing crosswalks and connecting Echo Park Lake to nearby bike lanes on Glendale, Bellevue, and Sunset. This report should outline any treatments that can be immediately implemented in coordination with StreetsLA's upcoming resurfacing on Glendale Blvd.

I FURTHER MOVE that City Council direct LADOT, with the support of BOE and the Bureau of Street Services (StreetsLA) to report on the resources needed to conduct a feasibility and design study that examines broader safety and mobility improvements, including new project design, community engagement, and capital infrastructure to improve multi-modal access and make Echo Park Lake safer for bicyclists and pedestrians.

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