

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Please vote to support Council item #23-0491. Los Angeles is a very park-poor city and the public would benefit tremendously from having access to LAUSD playgrounds and recreational facilities. It is the norm in many cities in LA County and across the country to have schoolgrounds open to the public on weekends through an MOU. Los Angeles is the outlier, not the norm, on not having a program in place to ensure that the public has access to these important recreational spaces. I have been able to obtain Civic Center Permits from LAUSD to allow the public to enjoy the amazing playground at Open Charter School in Westchester. The large attendance and tremendous outpouring of support for this has shown that the public will use these spaces if they are open to the public. Please also consider creating an advisory committee to help select sites.