

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/15/2024 04:40 PM

**Council File No:** 24-0011-S4

**Comments for Public Posting:** To whom it may concern, For this General Plan Amendment process, I am urging you to reject the development of the LA ART gondola at LA State Historic Park. In fact, the park staff's efforts to elicit suggested "improvements" to the park instead of public comment on the gondola's impacts to the park is a manipulative framework that further seeks to stifle the community's voice. In addition, California State Parks should not bend to private billionaire Frank McCourt's profit scheme when this park is public land with public airspace. The park's purpose is to provide a natural and cultural resource, and the gondola accomplishes the opposite with adverse effects such as the following: 1. The gondola would add a massive 98 ft tall station at the entrance of the park, remove 81 mature trees from the park (304 total along the entire route), and fly 5-ton cabins covered in advertising as low as 26 ft over people's heads over vital greenspace, ruining the character and local ecology of the park. 2. Research from the UCLA Mobility Lab found that the gondola would do little to take cars off the road and would likely carry fewer passengers than LA ART claims. Many will likely drive to access the gondola, which would increase neighborhood traffic around the stations for sold-out games. 3. It is not legal to construct a private transportation project that has no true public benefit and only serves to commercialize a historic park. We ask the State Park and Recreation Commission to be good stewards of LA State Historic Park and reject this ridiculous gondola proposal. Community advocates fought for almost 30 years to make LA State Historic Park a reality. It provides vital respite for residents in a dense, urban area of largely working class, immigrant community members whose homes and businesses in Chinatown and on Olvera Street are at risk of displacement from being either directly under or along the gondola route. CA State Parks must respect the work and livelihood of the residents who live in the area and protect the park from this private development. To do otherwise would set a terrible precedent, allowing developers to chip away at our public land for their personal gain. This process, which is already damaging trust in local and State Parks staff, threatens to permanently damage trust in CA State Parks as stewards of our public lands. Public land should remain for public good, not sold to the highest bidder! Please stand with the

communities of Chinatown, Solano Canyon, and Elysian Park, as well as park-goers all across Los Angeles and exercise your power to preserve this greenspace for our historic neighborhoods.  
Sincerely, Joanna

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Ginger Holguin

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am writing in strong opposition to the proposal for a gondola to dodger stadium. This would be an unglued addition to the city and an imposition forced onto the community. It would ruin the beautiful park that so many fought for. I have worked numerous events at the park and it was such a joy and privilege to be in a beautiful park with a perfect view of downtown that was free for all to see. It was so important to my mental and spiritual health to be able to experience this atmosphere and I was so proud of our city that it was open for all to experience. Please don't let the gondola ruin this important space. There are so many other ways to better accomplish the issue of traffic around dodger stadium. Many other cities have done it. Don't turn our city into an ugly eyesore. Don't use ONE CENT of taxpayer money now or in the future, ever, ever. Don't burden future generations with a monstrosity. Thank you- Ginger Holguin