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Access to parks and green spaces provide significant health benefits, including improved cardiovascular health and reduced risk of high cholesterol, hypertension, and obesity. According to the most recent report published by the Trust for Public Land (TPL), data shows that more than 1.5 million Los Angeles residents lack a park within ten minutes of their homes. On an annual basis, the TPL ranks the park systems of the 100 most populous U.S. cities, evaluating them based on equity, access, investment, amenities and overall acreage of green space. In their latest report, the City ranked 90th, a significant drop from its 49th position five years ago. While the City was on par with the rest of the nation for what percent of its land is designated for parks and recreation, low scores were given to the City for park amenities and total investment in its park systems. To address the shortage of park spaces in Council District 10, the City should explore the transformation of an existing Park and Ride site within the District into a park for the benefit of the neighboring community.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Department of Recreation and Parks to report on the feasibility of developing a neighborhood park at the Park and Ride site located on 2541 South Genesee Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90016.

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