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The Skatepark Project, a nonprofit organization, was founded by Tony Hawk in 2002 and is dedicated to increasing access to outdoor recreation and free play in underserved communities by creating safe and inclusive skateparks. The Skatepark Project has helped build nearly 700 skateparks across all 50 states, has provided thousands of kids with skating equipment, and has facilitated local contests in which kids have participated. The Skatepark Project would like to work with the City to develop temporary improvements at the West Los Angeles Municipal Complex (Complex) that would allow for skating to safely take place at this site.

Although the Complex is slated for redevelopment, the General Services Department would work with the Skatepark Project to deliver these temporary improvements in the interim. These proposed improvements include: four skate obstacles, handrails, ledges, wedge spine, signage, and replicated courthouse monuments. The Skatepark Project will oversee the design/building of these improvements and will work with professional builders to develop the improvements. Additionally, the Skateboard Project will pay for any costs associated with the proposed improvements.

In the past, the Complex has been used to host skating events and continues to draw skaters from around the City with its unique architecture. Allowing the Skatepark Project to make temporary improvements to the Complex would benefit the community by creating a safe place for skaters of all ages to enjoy free, recreational skating.

I THEREFORE MOVE that Council instruct the General Services Department, with the assistance of the Department of Recreation and Parks, to report on the feasibility of allowing the Skatepark Project to develop temporary skating improvements at the West Los Angeles Municipal Complex located at 1645 Corinth Avenue, including any estimated City costs for maintenance, a proposed construction timeline, and information regarding the City's liability in terms of the construction of the improvements by an outside entity as well as patron safety.

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