## **MOTION**

For many years, the Playa del Rey community has enjoyed Keith Park, a community green space owned by the Southern California Gas Company at 7844 W 79th St, Playa del Rey, Los Angeles, California, 90293. Keith Park has been a community backdrop, hosting life milestones like birthday and high school graduation parties to everyday gatherings of families and their children as well as dog owners and their beloved companions.

In recent months, neighbors learned that this beloved green space may be sold by the gas company for future development opportunities. This loss would be especially significant because Playa del Rey is park-deficient under the City's Public Recreation Plan, which requires 4 acres of neighborhood and community parks per 1,000 residents. The surrounding Westchester–Playa del Rey community provides far below this threshold—offering as little as 0.77 to 2.4 acres per 1,000 residents. Keith Park has functioned as one of the only accessible, walkable green spaces in the Upper Playa neighborhood, and its removal would further deepen an already severe shortage of parkland and recreational amenities.

In spite of efforts by Council District 11 and the community to delay a sale in order to explore the site's acquisition by the City - a process that can take time and requires extensive due diligence - bids have been accepted by the gas company as of November 19, 2025. Urgent action is required to preserve this greenspace.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the Council instruct the General Services Department, with the assistance of the Department of Recreation and Parks and the City Attorney, to report back with recommendations for the acquisition of the Southern California Gas Company property located 7844 W 79th St, Playa Del Rey, California, 90293, through the use of eminent domain to preserve the community greenspace.

I FURTHER MOVE that the Council instruct the City Administrative Officer, with the assistance of the General Services Department, to identify funds to initiate a real estate appraisal of the property located at 7844 W 79th St, Playa Del Rey, California, 90293.

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