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## Your Community Impact Statement Submittal - Council File Number: 26-0489

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Tue, May 26, 2026 at 10:14 AM

A Neighborhood Council Community Impact Statement (CIS) has been successfully submitted to your Commission or City Council. We provided information below about CISs and attached a copy of the CIS.

We encourage you to reach out to the Community Impact Statement Filer to acknowledge receipt and if this Community Impact Statement will be scheduled at a future meeting. Neighborhood Council board members are volunteers and it would be helpful if they received confirmation that you received their CIS.

The CIS process was enabled by the Los Angeles Administrative Code §Section 22.819. It provides that, "a Neighborhood Council may take a formal position on a matter by way of a Community Impact Statement (CIS) or written resolution." NCs representatives also testify before City Boards and Commissions on the item related to their CIS. If the Neighborhood Council chooses to do so, the Neighborhood Council representative must provide the Commission with a copy of the CIS or resolution sufficiently in advance for review, possible inclusion on the agenda, and posting on the Commission's website. Any information you can provide related to your agenda setting schedule is helpful to share with the NC.

If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *listed on the Commission's agenda*, during the time the matter is heard, the designated Neighborhood Council representative should be given an opportunity to present the Neighborhood Council's formal position. We encourage becoming familiar with the City Council's rules on the subject. At the Chair's discretion, the Neighborhood Council representative may be asked to have a seat at the table (or equivalent for a virtual meeting) typically reserved for City staff and may provide the Neighborhood Council representative more time than allotted to members of the general public. They are also permitted up to five (5) minutes of time to address the legislative body. If the CIS or resolution pertains to a matter *not listed on the agenda*, the designated Neighborhood Council representative may speak during General Public Comments.

We share this information to assist you with the docketing neighborhood council items before your board/commission. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment at [empowerla@lacity.org](mailto:empowerla@lacity.org).

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#### Contact Information

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The Board approved this CIS by a vote of: Yea(5) Nay(0) Abstain(0) Ineligible(0) Recusal(0)

Date of NC Board Action: 05/18/2026

Type of NC Board Action: For

#### Impact Information

Date: 05/26/2026

Update to a Previous Input: No

Directed To: City Council and Committees

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City Planning Number:

Agenda Date: 05/26/2026

Item Number:

Summary:



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Community Impact Statement – CF 26-0489

TO: Los Angeles City Council

RE: Charter Reform Commission Recommendations / Department of Recreation and Parks Charter Allocation (Charter Section 593)

POSITION: SUPPORT

May 22, 2026

Dear Councilmembers,

On Monday, May 18, 2026, the Central Hollywood Neighborhood Council voted unanimously to support the Charter Reform Commission's recommendation to amend Charter Section 593 to double the Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) charter allocation from 0.0325% to 0.065% of assessed property value, and urges the City Council to place this charter amendment on the November 2026 ballot.

The data regarding the state of our parks is undeniable. The City's own Parks Needs Assessment identified \$14.76 billion in one-time costs to reach peer-city service levels, alongside over \$2 billion in deferred maintenance. Currently, more than 1.5 million Angelenos—one in three residents—lack a park within a 10-minute walk of their home.

The root cause of this decline is chronic institutional underfunding. RAP's charter allocation has remained frozen since 1937. Compounding this, 40% of RAP's budget (\$145 million) is currently diverted back to the General Fund to pay for indirect costs that the City historically covered. Because of this fiscal drain, Los Angeles invests just \$92 per capita on parks compared to a \$283 average in peer cities, causing RAP to lose 28% of its full-time workforce since 2008. Year after year, this structural deficit goes unaddressed in our City's budget.

In Central Hollywood, our community feels the consequences of this neglect firsthand. Our local parks suffer from extensive deferred maintenance, reduced programming hours, and insufficient staffing, which directly impacts the safety, accessibility, and cleanliness of these public spaces. This decline ignores the reality that parks and recreation centers serve as critical, life-saving infrastructure for our seniors, youth, and unhoused neighbors.

Neighborhood parks are the lifeblood of dense, urban communities like ours. We strongly urge the City Council to place this critical structural amendment on the November 2026 ballot.