

Communication from Public

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Date Submitted: 07/01/2026 08:04 AM

Council File No: 26-0777

Comments for Public Posting: I am requesting that this item be given additional time to include all First Peoples listed in the city's official Land Acknowledgment. Additionally, I am including this letter from the San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians. "Dear Los Angeles City Council Members and Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, On behalf of the Gabrieleno San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians, I am writing to share the attached letter regarding the resolution currently scheduled for consideration by the Los Angeles City Council on July 1, 2026. We respectfully ask that you take a few moments to review our concerns prior to tomorrow's meeting. While we appreciate the City's continued efforts to recognize Indigenous history and culture, we are deeply concerned that this resolution, as currently written, may establish a precedent that unintentionally elevates a single organization without acknowledging the multiple Tribal governments with documented ancestral and contemporary ties to the Los Angeles Basin. Our Tribe has worked collaboratively with both the City and County of Los Angeles for many years on initiatives including the Los Angeles City Land Acknowledgment, the Los Angeles County Harms Report, Indigenous Peoples' Day events, Native American Heritage Month programming, educational initiatives, and ongoing participation on the Los Angeles Native American Indian Commission. These collaborative efforts have always recognized the importance of inclusive Tribal engagement and meaningful consultation. The attached letter explains our concerns in greater detail and respectfully requests that the resolution either be postponed to allow for additional consultation or amended to ensure fair and equitable representation of all culturally affiliated Tribal governments. Our Tribal representatives will be present at tomorrow's City Council meeting, and we remain committed to working collaboratively with the City to ensure that Indigenous representation reflects the rich and complex history of Tovaangar. Thank you for your time, your consideration, and your continued commitment to meaningful engagement with Native communities. Respectfully, Kimberly Johnson, PhD Tribal Secretary San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians Gabrieleno/Tongva"

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Name: Mona Recalde

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Comments for Public Posting: Good day, City Council members. My name is Mona Recalde. I am submitting comments as an individual, a person, and a tribal member of the Gabrieleno San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians, not in any capacity as a Community Elected Native American Indian Commissioner. The Gabrieleno San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians has always valued a positive working relationship with the Los Angeles City Council. Our tribal members have been part of the only Tribal Council consistently represented on the Los Angeles Native American Indian Commission. Over the years, we have partnered with several Council offices to ensure meaningful and accurate representation during Indigenous People Days, Native American Heritage Month, and other civic initiatives. We have also actively contributed to the development of the City of Los Angeles Land Acknowledgment and the Los Angeles County Harms Report to help guarantee that the histories and perspectives of our tribal community are appropriately represented. Throughout all of these extensive efforts, we have been active and consistently working with LA City alongside these initiatives. It is vital that the Council has a complete, truthful understanding of the history, relationships, and long standing engagement of the tribal communities connected to the City of Los Angeles before moving forward with any action. Taking this current action will set a dangerous precedent that will be unfortunate for Native Americans throughout Los Angeles City and County because it only names the Kizh in the resolution. We are the historic tribe of the greater Los Angeles Basin that has maintained a community and relationship with the Los Angeles City Council for decades. It is my understanding the Kizh Nation is a modern formed group that was established in 2009 based on their Bylaws. I am submitting a public comment because we respectfully hope that the Council and staff will carefully consider all tribal perspectives. It is necessary to conduct appropriate due diligence to ensure that any resolution reflects a fair, balanced, and equitable representation of the First People communities with documented ties to this region as noted in the Los Angeles City Land Acknowledgement. Exclusively listing one group is erasure for our historic tribe that has been doing the good work for decades. In fact, our Chief Anthony was celebrated in City Hall in

November 2024 for his commitment to tradition during Native American Heritage Month. We ask that this resolution be amended to include all Gabrielenos who are listed in the Los Angeles City Land Acknowledgement. This is a sacred site and is sacred to all Gabrielenos. Acknowledging one group only is a violation of the Native American Religious Freedom Act as this site is not just for one Gabrieleno person or group, it should be inclusive of all Gabrielenos. Thank you for your time and your consideration.

Communication from Public

Name: Christina Conley

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Comments for Public Posting: The language must be revised to be inclusive of all Gabrielino people. Referring exclusively to the “Kizh - Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians” is discriminatory and inaccurate. By doing so, the City creates additional harm and prejudice by silencing the voices of the other Gabrielino tribes and demonstrates that it did not engage in meaningful AB 52 consultation with all culturally affiliated Gabrielino tribes. The Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) recognizes five distinct Gabrielino tribes, not just one. The language must be amended to “Gabrielino” people. The Arroyo Seco is a tribally sacred area for the Gabrielino, the First People of Los Angeles. Any measures taken to protect this sacred area must fully respect tribal cultural values and be developed through proper consultation with all five recognized Gabrielino tribes.

Communication from Public

Name: Concerned LA Native

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Comments for Public Posting: City Council, I am writing you today in regards to the Arroyo Seco! This is sacred land to all Gabrieleno, not just the Kizh! There are documents where their leaders father signed the Anthony Morales is the legitimate tribal leader! They do not participate with the community. Never work with city hall and now want to claim this theirs! These lands are for all Gabrieleno! Please do your due diligence and be inclusive of all Gabrieleno!

Communication from Public

Name: Pilar
Date Submitted: 07/01/2026 09:11 AM
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Comments for Public Posting: This motion is full of disinformation which Council member Jurado should have vetted before bringing in front of the entire council. For starters this body has NO jurisdiction over the City's of Pasadena & South Pasadena. NO part of the Arroyo Seco Water Reuse project is within the boundaries of San Pascual park. In fact half of San Pascual park east of the channel is owned by the City of South Pasadena. South Pasadena & Los Angeles have had long standing agreements in place since the 1940's, the City of Los Angeles benefits from the use of San Pascual park in its entirety, there are no fences or signs indicating the land is owned by another city. Council Member Jurado has not sat down or walked the site with Officials from South Pasadena or Pasadena. Major Rossi Joined an Active SGV walk 2 weeks ago, 46 People attended that walk, we all learned that Council member Jurado canceled her site visit with people who could actually inform her about the project. How is this a politically prudent move to not work with the neighboring cities and to disburse misinformation? I ask is the City of Los Angeles and this board ready to pay the fines to the Water quality management board for not complying with state mandates? The fines are \$10,000 per day, in a time where the city is trying to find money for simple maintenance this seems like a ridiculous expenditure. To inflict these fees on the neighboring cities because she is allowing herself to be bullied by nimbys is truly incomprehensible. The project site in question has 0.5 acres of Los Angeles open space land which is currently used by the unhoused and is regularly the site of mounds of garbage. Recently Council Member Jurado used L.A. Taxpayer money to have dumpsters dropped at the site resulting in a clean up in South Pasadena's Arroyo park, where the belongings of several unhoused encampments were removed. That action is illegal under Municipal Code LAMC 56.11. As all of you know it is impossible to start large projects in the City or County without approval from the tribes who choose to participate within the 30 day comment period. These projects would not have gotten as far as long had The Cities not had correspondence from a tribe. Council member Jurado's motion also claims there are century old trees on the site, which is absolutely false. Aerial imagery from the 30's, 40's & 50's does not show evidence of large trees. In fact only a few trees are on the 0.5 acre parcel of L.A. land, all the

other trees, invasive species and palms belong to the City of South Pasadena. Jurado also Claims no infrastructure shall be on the L.A. site, the reason the site was chosen is because all the infrastructure is already in place. The fish and wildlife website shows the site is a man made constructed wetland. There are 2 stories of underground infrastructure already in place. At a time when the City is looking for funds to maintain our parks here are two projects fully funded by Measure W & Prop 68. Currently these sites are not accessible and the one in South Pasadena is not safe. These spaces will not only clean our toxic laden storm drain runoff they will create 2 native parks , new trails and paths. This would not only be a win for the environment, those of us who actually enjoy walking in the arroyo but all our native birds and pollinators which do not have enough native vegetation to call home. Then there is the matter of eliminating other tribes which we know resided along the arroyo, why should one tribe receive preferential treatment over the others. In a time when inclusivity is what our society is fighting for this is an act of segregation. As the daughter of a woman who fought against all forms of segregation I find the very suggestion of this motion highly offensive. I voted for council member Jurado because I believed she cared about improving the environment in CD-14, never did I imagine that threats posted on Social media by bullies would result in her supporting the very people threatening her. This is not the action a Council member should take, how would any of the members of this body govern if every time you received threats on Social media you folded? The group opposing these project also opposes Council Member Hernandez's Bowtie project, BRT from NoHo to Pasadena, Metro project in East L.A. and a whole host of other important projects. Most of you understand the importance of these state Mandated projects as you have Measure W projects in your districts. Lastly Heal the Bay's river report card came out this year the Arroyo received an F! I urge you all to vote against the ratification of this egregious motion.

Communication from Public

Name: Josh Kashapata

Date Submitted: 07/01/2026 10:00 AM

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Comments for Public Posting: I support Councilmember Ysabel Jurado's resolution opposing the Arroyo Seco Water Reuse Project. As a resident of Highland Park and someone who lives less than 1000 ft from the proposed project site, I appreciate Councilmember Jurado's commitment to listening to community concerns and standing up for our public parks. This project will devastate an entire ecosystem and impact hundreds of Angelenos for decades to come. Project managers have ignored community concerns, including those of the Kizh Nation who have requested full avoidance of the site. I urge the City of Los Angeles to take legal action to protect San Pascual Park and ensure that our parklands remain protected for current and future generations. Please support this resolution and defend our public green spaces.

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Name:

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Comments for Public Posting: This project will ultimately hurt the area and will only benefit the contractors and the golf course. It's so clearly misguided. Please don't do this. Bite the bullet, pay the fine and do it right!

Communication from Public

Name: Gabrielle Crowe

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Comments for Public Posting: Miyiiha' tehoovet taamet (hello and good day) to everyone at the Los Angeles City Council. I would like to provide a statement to amend page 92 of the agenda. Currently the page only acknowledges the Kizh Nation as the original inhabitants of Los Angeles. Leaving just one nation on that page does much harm and excludes the other tribes in the area with ancestral ties to Los Angeles, specifically those that identify as Gabrielino-Shoshone, Gabrieleño Tongva, Gabrielino Tongva, etc. The Arroyo Seco is a sacred place that has been shared by all of the Gabrielino tribes since time immemorial. Please amend the document to reflect the history of all of our nations. 'Aweeshkone xaa (thank you).

Communication from Public

Name: Jack Smith

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Comments for Public Posting: Good morning Council members. I am opposed the Arroyo Seco Water Reuse Project in solidarity with the Kizh Nation, Council member Jurado, and local land protectors. LA is losing mature and native trees faster than we are replacing them. LA's parks deserve further investment, but not by way of destroying what's there. These mature, native trees have a protected status which must be enforced. Please save San Pascual Park!

Communication from Public

Name: LIONEL MARES

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear City Councilmembers, I am writing to urge you to protect Los Angeles' remaining public lands from development. According to the Trust for Public Land's ParkScore index, Los Angeles ranks 93rd nationwide, reflecting a significant shortage of accessible green space and local parks for our residents. With such limited parkland already available, it is imperative that the city safeguard every parcel designated for public use. Preserving these spaces is essential for community health, environmental resilience, and equitable access to nature—especially in neighborhoods that are already underserved. I strongly encourage the Council to prioritize long-term protection of public lands and ensure they remain dedicated to parks, open space, and community benefit. Thank you for your consideration.

Communication from Public

Name: LIONEL MARES

Date Submitted: 07/01/2026 12:06 PM

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Comments for Public Posting: Dear City Councilmembers, Los Angeles is facing a crisis of green space. Our city ranks 93rd in the Trust for Public Land's national assessment—an alarming indicator of how little parkland is available to residents. With this shortage already affecting public health, climate resilience, and neighborhood quality of life, we cannot afford to lose any additional land to development. Every acre of public land matters. Once it is gone, it is gone forever. I urge you to take decisive action to protect all land designated for public use and ensure it remains dedicated to parks, open space, and community well-being. Thank you for your leadership on this critical issue.

Communication from Public

Name: Lo Go Mar

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Comments for Public Posting: I support the Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians–Kizh Nation and in opposition to the Arroyo Seco Water Reuse Project.