

ADMINISTRATIVE MOTION

COMMITTEE: MVCC PLUM

TITLE: West LA Commons Public Park

PURPOSE: To support the addition of a public park as part of the West LA Commons project.

BACKGROUND: The West LA Commons is an 8.6 acre development adding mixed-income housing above new stores, restaurants, and community spaces. The future development is located at the West Los Angeles Civic Center, an underutilized, eight-acre site bounded by Santa Monica Boulevard and Corinth, Iowa, and Butler Avenues just west of the I-405 freeway. The

THE MOTION: The MVCC requests that the LA City supports WLASNC's request for a public park with a playground and open space as part of the West L.A. Commons project that maintains high-density housing and numerous affordable units. This park would serve the 2,500 tenants of the project as well as the 5,000 neighbors who live on the south and don't have a park (many are low-income households), and visitors from Westwood, Mar Vista, Bel Air-Beverly Crest and Brentwood who visit the Felicia Mahood Senior Center and the West L.A. Municipal Building.

- 1. Exclusion of Skate Park Element:** In recognition of the diverse needs and preferences of the community, we propose that any plans for the public park explicitly exclude the construction of a skate park. While acknowledging the importance of providing recreational spaces for various activities, the exclusion of a skate park is aimed at preserving the serene and natural ambiance of the park, which is highly valued by the current park users. The Stoner Skate Park is located 0.7 miles from the West LA Commons and can serve the local skateboarding community.
- 2. Maintaining Proposed Building Heights:** Recognizing the importance of preserving the visual aesthetics and overall character of the park, as well as previous agreements and communications regarding building heights, we propose that any new developments within the park adhere to the existing building height regulations. This measure is intended to ensure that the park's skyline remains consistent with the proposed landscape and does not compromise the scenic beauty that residents and visitors appreciate.

DIRECTED TO: Chris Spitz, WRAC Chair (ppfriends3@hotmail.com)

ACTION/VOTE COUNT:

MVCC PLUM Committee Meeting, November 2nd, 2023

Motion of support moved by MVCC Kevin, seconded by MVCC Chris

Motion of support approved by MVCC PLUM COMMITTEE 4Y-0N-0A

MVCC Board Meeting, November 16, 2023

Motion of support moved by:

Motion of support approved by the MVCC Board XXY-XXN-XXA