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January 20, 2022

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

CF: 21-4118 & CF: 21-4118-S24

The Board Approves This Community Impact Statement Yea (x), Nay (x), Abstain (x) on January 20, 2022

RE: CF: 21-4118 & CF: 21-4118-S24. DESIGNATION OF PROHIBITED LOCATION RESOLUTION SERIES/ LAMC 41.18 / MACARTHUR PARK LAKE AT WILSHIRE BOULEVARD BETWEEN ALVARADO AND PARK VIEW, ET AL. / COUNCIL DISTRICT 1 / LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 41.18. *Resolution designating specific areas for enforcement against sitting, lying, sleeping, storing, using, maintaining, or placing personal property, obstructing the public right-of-way. Locations: Downey Park, Downey Park Pool; Lincoln Heights Recreation Center; (Cedillo)*

POSITION: OPPOSE

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council opposes CF: 21-4118 and Councilman Cedillo's Resolution CF: 21-4118-S24 which is unconstitutional and criminalizes the unhoused. Two of the sites designated in the resolution, Downey Park and the Downey Park Pool, in years past, were used to offer services to the unhoused. The showers were made available for public use in a facility is seldom used / never used that just sits locked up 300 days out of the year. For the past 120 years, unhoused and the transient locals have used the Downey Rec bathrooms because they are stakeholders and Angelinos entitled to the same services as everyone else. Many residents in Lincoln Heights who have been displaced, live in storage units or RV's and have had to sleep on the grass at Downey park during summer heatwaves because their storage units/ RV's lack ventilation and central air. They have to choose whether to die from heat stroke or go to an open space that is safe and familiar. During the great heatwave of 1918- NYC banned sleeping on roofs and in public parks. Thousands of people living in tenement houses died- because they were deprived of the right to utilize public assets. These people were immigrants and the poor. A few years ago, the City tried to pass a motion banning anyone over the age of 18 from utilizing playground facilities at Lincoln Heights Recreation Center and Lincoln Park. Our community opposed that motion and we oppose this one as well. Who is to decide the proper use of a public park if it is not the People? If a person is laying on a blanket in the park with a bike and a few plastic bags from the .99 cent store- does that fit the city's description of "obstruction of public right of way? Is a grass field "the public right of way"? If so, The Dodgers Dreamfields need to be removed immediately from Lincoln Park for depriving Lincoln Heights residents of their right to public assets. Legally the Dodgers Dreamfields should be unlocked. The city could propose that the unhoused use them for their tents at night. If the City seeks to punish a specific group for obstructing the Public ROW, they must penalize all who obstruct the public ROW.

Sincerely,

Sara Clendening,
President
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

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TO CITY CLERK FOR PLACEMENT ON NEXT
REGULAR COUNCIL AGENDA TO BE POSTED

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RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, §41.18 of the Municipal Code provides that the Council by Resolution may designate specified areas for enforcement against sitting, lying, sleeping, or storing, using, maintaining, or placing personal property, or otherwise obstructing the public right-of-way, in order for a person to be found in violation of any of these prohibited behaviors; and

WHEREAS, the below listed locations are experiencing a need for enforcement against the above listed prohibitions; and

WHEREAS, the Council hereby finds that the public health, safety, or welfare is served by the prohibition, and further finds that sleeping or lodging within the stated proximity to the designated area(s) is unhealthy, unsafe, or incompatible with safe passage; and


WHEREAS, the Office of Council District 1 has submitted / posted to the File relevant documentation, as further detailed in §41.18 (c)(4), that the circumstances at these locations pose a particular and ongoing threat to public health or safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to §41.18 (c) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code that the Council hereby designates the following locations for enforcement against sitting, lying, sleeping, or storing, using, maintaining, or placing personal property, or otherwise obstructing the public right-of-way, up to the maximum distance and effective for the maximum period of time prescribed, and as further detailed in the Code:

1. Mac Arthur Park Lake at Wilshire Blvd between Alvarado and Park View – Park
2. Mac Arthur Park Recreation Center 2230 W. 6th St. – Park
3. Elysian Park 929 Academy Rd – Park
4. Sycamore Grove Park 4702 N. Figueroa St – Park
5. Ernest Debs Regional Park 4600 N. Griffin Ave – Park
6. Cypress Park Recreation Center 2630 Pepper Ave – Park
7. Albion Riverside Park 1739 N. Albion St – Park
8. Downey Park Pool 1775 N. Spring St – Park
9. Lincoln Heights Recreation Center 2303 Workman – Park
10. Rio De Los Angeles Park 1900 N. San Fernando Rd – Park
11. Veterans Square at York Blvd and N. Figueroa St – Park
12. Greayor's Oak Mini Park 3711 N. Figueroa St – Park
13. Frida Khalo Theater 2332 W. 4th St – Park

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Department(s) with jurisdiction over the identified locations are hereby directed and authorized to post appropriate notices of the above prohibitions at these locations, and to begin enforcement upon the expiration of any required posting period.

PRESENTED BY:


GIL CEDILLO
Councilmember, 1st District

SECONDED BY:



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