January 19, 2017

Honorable City Council
c/o Office of the City Clerk
Los Angeles City Hall
200 North Spring Street, Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council requests that the following Community Impact Statement be attached/added to Council File 16-1456 regarding Limiting Access to Children’s Playground.

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council opposes the proposal because:

The Lincoln Heights NC is against the motion to include language to change the access of playgrounds to only children and their guardians. Limiting teenage and young adult access to swings and limited park space in areas where there is already limited access to green open space is unfair to our young adult population. If a 17 year old wants to swing on a swing or study in the grass under a tree, they should not be prevented from doing so. In Lincoln Heights, there is already limited activities for teenagers and denying them the use of park space is discriminatory. There is no differentiation between playgrounds and the grass that surrounds it. The language in the council file is too vague and therefore the policy should remain as is.

This Community Impact Statement is based on the action taken at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting on January 19, 2017, when the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council adopted the following motion by a vote of 4 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining and directed that a Community Impact Statement be filed reflecting its position.

Motion: The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council urges the City Council’s Arts, Parks, and River Committee to not adopt the Limiting Access to Children’s Playground proposal.

Sincerely,

Cesar Rosas, President
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

BOARD MEMBERS: BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES: William Rodriguez Morrison, Mario Marrufo, (Vacant); COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTATIVES: Selena Ortega, Benny Madera, Martha Sevin Riley, YOUTH REPRESENTATIVES: Britney Rivera, Hugo Hernandez; AREA REPRESENTATIVES: Penelope Lopez, Theresa Vasquez, Martin S. Gomez, Vicente Gonzalez-Reyes Jr., Armida Marrufo, Maribel Hernandez, Vince Rosiles, (Vacant), José Lagunas, David Myers, (Vacant), (Vacant), (Vacant), Victoria Montes, Michael Montes.
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The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council requests that the following Community Impact Statement be attached/added to Council File 15-1022-S2 regarding online voting and Improve Experience for Neighborhood Councils.

COMMUNITY IMPACT STATEMENT

The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council opposes the proposal because:

The Lincoln Heights NC is against suspending the implementation of the online voting system for future elections. The use of online voting was imperative to increasing the Lincoln Heights NC ability to improve our voter turnout from 80 people in 2014 to nearly 400 people in 2016. For disenfranchised neighborhoods like our own, the pop up voting options were necessary to improving our presence in the neighborhood. We did not encounter problems with the process that would warrant a halt to using online voting for the 2018 election. Unless the report from DONE proves there were substantial problems with online voting, the Lincoln Heights NC requests that the use of online voting not be suspended for the 2018 election year.

This Community Impact Statement is based on the action taken at the regularly scheduled Board of Directors meeting on January 19, 2017, when the Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council adopted the following motion by a vote of 18 yes, 0 no, 0 abstaining and directed that a Community Impact Statement be filed reflecting its position.

Motion: “The Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council urges the Department of Neighborhood Empowerment to not adopt the Motion relative to online voting and Improve Experience for Neighborhood Councils.

Sincerely,

Cesar Rosas, President
Lincoln Heights Neighborhood Council

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