MOTION

The City of Los Angeles' parks and recreation centers play a central role in building and maintaining strong, safe, and prosperous neighborhoods and communities across the city. These facilities provide invaluable open spaces for residents and their families to learn, play, and enjoy the outdoors.

Concurrently, recreation and parks programs play a critical role in promoting a healthy and active lifestyle for all residents, educating local children, and engendering in all of us a lifelong sense of curiosity and passion for learning. These programs and their facilities make a much needed positive impact on local economies by raising property values and promoting prosperous residential communities. Our recreation centers and parks also help ensure public safety in Los Angeles communities by reducing instances of crime and vandalism.

Over the last several years, city parks and park programs have been threatened by declining revenues and increased costs to an extent that has necessitated cuts to staff, maintenance and programs, and may soon lead to more devastating cuts and even park closures.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Attorney be directed to draft a resolution for a measure to be placed on an election ballot that would provide a dedicated revenue stream and raise \$39 dollars per parcel on an annual basis in additional revenue for city parks and park programs, potentially as early as the March 2013 ballot.

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