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Maximizing the beneficial use of recycled water to offset potable water demand is a critical strategy in addressing water supply and water conservation. There is an urgency to maximize this strategy given the severe drought and the continuing impacts of climate change on our water resources.

Griffith Park is the largest municipal park with urban wilderness in the United States. The Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) is planning the expansion of its recycled water distribution network in Griffith Park via the Griffith Park South Water Recycling Project (GPSWRP). The GPSWRP will provide recycled water to the Roosevelt Golf Course.

Possibilities exist to expand the delivery of recycled water to the Griffith Park Nursery, the Greek Theatre, Maintenance Yard, Old Maintenance Yard, Martinez Arena, and other areas along the existing and proposed recycled water pipelines in Griffith Park.

As Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks (RAP) continues to develop areas and make improvements throughout the Park, there may be opportunities for the installation of additional pipelines to cost-effectively extend LADWP's recycled water network to these areas. This will require coordination between LADWP and RAP, which can potentially lead to providing recycled water to these areas of the Park sooner and at a lesser cost than if the agencies worked independently.

I THEREFORE MOVE that LADWP coordinate with RAP and explore the technical feasibility and unit cost to expand the use of recycled water to potential customers in Griffith Park and report back to Council in 90 days regarding any findings that would increase the use of recycled water.

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