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## Keep Griffith Park as it is.

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to: Adam Lid

From: Sparky Sotcher, hiker

Re: appeal; council File 14-0588 and 14- 0589

Crystal Springs is a highly successful picnic area currently. On weekends the picnic area is packed to capacity. There is already one ball field in that area which is usually locked and unused. Now, the City approved two more, and will be removing up to 49 trees to do it. Crystal Springs is NOT the right place!

Please consider alternatives to placing the ball fields at Crystal Springs where they will impact picnickers, largely Latinos, who come there for family gatherings. [Appeal is Council File 14-0588](#)

**The Old Zoo** is within the "wilderness area" of the park, per the Historic-Cultural Monument. It's part of a rich wildlife area with rare plants and special-species wildlife, well documented by scientific work. A Performing Arts Center, at a cost of \$5 million, has been approved, without even an EIR completed! An inadequate and shortened environmental review process, Mitigated Negative Declaration, was used instead. [Appeal is Council File 14-0589](#). Several times a year I help youngsters and their teachers and parents enjoy the wild beauty of Griffith Park. We often end up playing on the field near the old zoo.

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