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May 2nd, 2016

City of Los Angeles
Budget & Finance Committee
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

RE: Support for Mayor Garcetti's Proposed 2016-17 Budget

Dear Honorable Paul Krekorian and the Budget & Finance Committee,

Friends of the Los Angeles River (FoLAR) is in Support of Mayor Garcetti's proposed 2016-17 budget so the City can purchase the G2 Parcel in Taylor Yard and preserve all 40 acres for public use.

As the Los Angeles City Council adopted the L.A. River Revitalization Master Plan and the City of Los Angeles is serving as a Non-Federal Sponsor for the United States Army Corps of Engineers Los Angeles River Ecosystem Restoration Feasibility Study (Alternative 20 - a plan to restore 11 miles of LA River habitat) the G2 Parcel will see a widening of the channel, which is vital to reconnecting the River with its historic floodplain.

River restoration will transform Taylor Yard/G2 Parcel - into a healthy and green space for surrounding communities like Cypress and Glassell Park. Ultimately the G2 Parcel will link together both the Rio de Los Angeles State Park and CA State Park's Bowtie Site which will combine to form a vast stretch of precious open space in the heart of an underserved community that currently has no access to the River.

The Los Angeles River Community strongly supports the City's purchase and remediation of the G2 Parcel. The State of California has pledged \$25 million to support the purchase in common cause with the City. We stand with the elected leaders who are championing the River in this watershed moment - Mayor Garcetti, Senator Kevin de León, and the Los Angeles City Council.

We urge you to vote in favor of the purchase of the G2 Parcel in the Mayor's proposed 2016-17 budget to ensure that it is accessible to the public and preserved for future generations.

Sincerely,

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Comment on CF#16-0600 (proposed FY 2016-17 Budget), support for Eagle Rock Dog Park

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Mon, May 2, 2016 at 12:05 PM

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Thank you all for your efforts to make Los Angeles a healthier place to live, for both its citizens and their pets. I'd like to request that the funding for the Eagle Rock Dog Park, which the Mayor discussed with our Neighborhood Council on April 9, be included in the city's Proposed Budget for 2016-17, as a Recreation and Parks line item. The amounts are \$785,000 for construction of the park, and approximately \$150,000 for maintenance.

With currently only nine off leash dog parks in the City of Los Angeles, more recreational spaces for people and their dogs are sorely needed. Our Councilmember and our entire neighborhood are enthusiastically supportive of this improvement, which will boost the health, safety, and economy of Eagle Rock.

Please attach this letter as a comment to CF#16-0600 (proposed FY 2016-17 Budget). Thank you.

Respectfully,

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