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REPORT RE:

DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 63.44.B.14(c) TO ADD SERRANIA PARK, LOCATED AT 20726 WELLS DRIVE IN WOODLAND HILLS, TO THE LIST OF PARKS CLOSING AT SUNSET AND OPENING AT SUNRISE

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to a request made by the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners (Board Report 19-099), this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance amends Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) Section 63.44.B.14(c) by adding Serrania Park to the list of City parks that close at sunset and open at sunrise.

Background and Summary of Ordinance Provision

On June 5, 2019, the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners requested this Office to prepare and present to City Council an ordinance adding Serrania Park to the list of parks in LAMC Section 63.44.B.14(c) that close at sunset and open at sunrise the following day (Board Report 19-099).

CEQA Determination

We recommend that, prior to adoption of this ordinance, the City Council determine that its action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under State CEQA Guidelines Section 153001, and City CEQA Guideline, Article III, Sec. 1.a., in that the project involves the minor alteration of an existing public facility, involving negligible or no expansion of use beyond that which currently exists. City Council may also determine that its action is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15323 as your action consists of the normal operation of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facility was designed. Lastly, the City Council may also determine that its action does not constitute a project under CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guideline Section 15378(b) in that the action relates merely to administrative and organizational matters and the setting of policy and procedures that do not result in any direct or indirect change to the physical environment. If the City Council concurs, it may comply with CEQA by making one or more of these determinations prior to or concurrent with its action on the ordinance.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Los Angeles Police Department requesting that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Steven Hong at (213) 978-8130. He or another member of this Office will be present when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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