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Reclaimed water or recycled water, is former wastewater (sewage) that is treated to remove solids and certain impurities, and used in sustainable landscaping irrigation or to recharge groundwater aquifers. The purpose of these processes is sustainability and water conservation, rather than discharging the treated water to surface waters such as rivers and oceans.

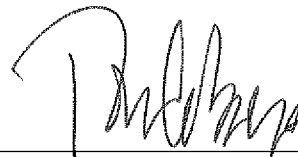
An important part of the City's expanding emphasis on water conservation is the concept that water is a resource that can be used more than once. Because all uses of water do not require the same quality of supply, the City has been developing programs to use reclaimed water for suitable landscaping and industrial uses.

Griffith Park is the largest municipal park with urban wilderness area in the United States with over 4,210 acres of both natural terrain and landscaped parkland and picnic areas. The park is situated in the eastern Santa Monica Mountain range, and is home to numerous plant and animal species. Reclaimed water is the key to improving local infrastructure and water is the key to maintaining all the life that exists in Griffith Park.

Currently, water reclamation projects meet some of Griffith Park's landscaping supply needs. For example, reclaimed water from the Los Angeles Glendale Water Reclamation Plant is used to irrigate two golf courses in Los Angeles' Griffith Park. According to the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP), Plans are underway to further develop water reclamation for the purpose of extending the existing recycled water system to the southern facilities of Griffith Park to increase recycled water supply.

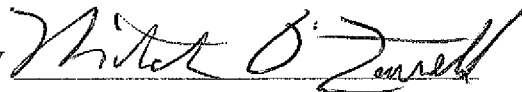
I THEREFORE MOVE that Los Angeles Department of Water and Power and the Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks be requested to report back to the City Council on the status of water reclamation in Griffith Park along with the progression of the existing Griffith Park Southern Water Recycling Project (GPSWRP).

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