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Summary: Los Feliz is home to over 45,000 residents and continues to grow. While our proximity to Griffith Park is valued, there is very little recreational space within our dense residential areas, especially when considering accessibility for younger, older, and differently-abled stakeholders. The priority goals listed in the Department of Recreation and Parks five-year strategic plan include: offer affordable and equitable recreation programming; create and maintain world-class parks and facilities; ensure an environmentally sustainable park system, and; build financial strength and innovative partnerships. Griffith Park is the second largest city park in the state of California, part of the Santa Monica Mountain range and home to the Griffith Observatory that receives over 1.5 million visitors a year. For both the maintenance of existing and the potential development of new facilities, an increased budget for the Department of Rec and Parks would be beneficial to the people of Los Feliz. Additionally, over 3% of Los Angeles tree coverage is in Los Feliz, second only to Pacific Palisades. From the deodar cedars along Los Feliz Blvd to the sycamores along Riverside drive, we are home to some of the most iconic trees in the city. The high number of trees in Los Feliz is not an accident of nature. As the photos on the last page of the "First Step: Los Angeles Urban Forest Management Plan" demonstrate, Los Feliz was relatively barren of trees at the beginning of the 20th century. It was through the efforts of home owners and residents of this area who landscaped the neighborhood with shade trees that we have been bequeathed the urban canopy we enjoy today. Los Feliz values trees, parks, and recreational facilities, and our neighborhood will support the creation a ballot measure to better fund this critical infrastructure for our city.