

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Barbara

**Date Submitted:** 08/21/2022 06:39 PM

**Council File No:** 20-1482

**Comments for Public Posting:** NO!!!! PLEASE SAVE SLOPE PARK- do NOT privatize our public spaces!!! PLEASE!!!

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Henry William Kaplan

**Date Submitted:** 08/20/2022 11:25 AM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** this is a valuable public space used by the entire neighborhood. eliminating it would lower the quality of life for all nearby.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Jamie Collelo

**Date Submitted:** 08/20/2022 12:20 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Keep Slope Park! We absolutely do not need more developers in the neighborhood creating even more over priced housing which in effect raises the rents of the neighbors. The park is perfect as is.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Richard Ziegler

**Date Submitted:** 08/21/2022 02:08 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** City clerk, Considering the issue at hand, please do not give away the piece of public property informally known as "Slope Park" to the benefit of private developers. This 1 block portion of Maltman Avenue, having been long removed as a matter of safety from auto access, has since brought: 1) the universally acknowledged value of open space to an otherwise dense urban community, 2) has done so without financial cost of any kind to taxpayers or any private citizen, 3) costs nothing for the city to maintain, 4) and should be valued precisely how rare and difficult such islands are to create and maintain in a crowded city. The value of this land to the surrounding community is much greater than the appraised value of the square footage to a single developer who is permitted to scrape it to bedrock and build out to its maximum density. As a comparative example, look to the highly regarded value of "Pocket Parks" in New York City, which is as overwhelmed as any city in the world by the need for new residential construction, and where ingenious developers are ready and willing to fill any space no matter how absurdly small, into viable rental property. Yet the designation of dozens of small parcels of land as open public space has become a universally admired feature of urban decision making. Simple, cheap, and effective. Building out every scrap of open space to maximum density is none of these things. One need look no further than Triangle Park, barely 2 blocks away on Sunset Boulevard. Once the city showed its willingness to remove this 1/4 block stretch of roadway that was the end of Griffith Park Boulevard from auto access, imagine the value of that land to a developer being allowed to build into the former street, and perhaps even into the tiny little park itself. One could hardly ask for a sweeter spot with more potential value. In the name of maximized housing in a corridor already sanctioned for multi story construction, and on a famous thoroughfare which could support perhaps a new dozen street level businesses. But instead the city had the foresight to allow as an experiment what is now a universally recognized success story, creating an urban space which draws people in and beautifies the neighborhood. A simple and inexpensive experiment whose mission was fulfilled, a small but significant example of how a city can do things right. Please continue to allow and encourage developers to increase our neighborhood's density in the standard manner: by competing

amongst themselves to purchase otherwise underbuilt parcels, and utilizing Los Angeles' encouragement to build multiple units on single-family plots. I heartily support this type of re-zoning in the name of desperately needed housing And have the good sense to leave Slope Park as it is. Richard Ziegler, Silver Lake resident

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Dana Markiewicz

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I lived at 1664 Maltman Avenue from 2001 through 2016. This is right across the street from the undeveloped stretch of Maltman between Effie St. and Crestmont Ave. My significant other, who lived in the house with me, and I still maintain a residence on Maltman south of Sunset. We have long-term ties to the neighborhood. I strongly feel that the parcel in question should be developed as a terraced park. This could be a great asset to the community, providing beauty and cooling greenery. I strongly disagree with the idea of developing this parcel for any other purpose.