

## Communication from Public

**Name:**

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 02:38 AM

**Council File No:** 21-0828

**Comments for Public Posting:** As Los Angeles sees the effects of climate change. How can expanding the Zoo benefit the land or us for that matter? I absolutely see no benefit for Griffith park or the animals that would live the rest of their life's in a small space for people to view them suffer. The only benefit is for those rich people who own LA zoo to make more money in the while destroying already endangered land and species. STOP DESTROYING LAND FOR UNNECESSARY ATTRACTIONS. Let Los Angeles be a green city with beautiful landscape and let animals roam wild as they should be. Put this "idea" for a vote so LA resident can decide for themselves. We pay taxes, we decide.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Itzel Ramirez

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 02:07 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** As a resident of Los Angeles county I find it absurd that the city is even considering getting rid of 20 acres of Griffith Park native woodland to expand the zoo. Are you fucking kidding me????? What kind of nonsense it that! Griffith park is so beautiful with a vast variety of animals who roam FREELY! Why would you get rid of their habitat only to make more room for a zoo to keep them confined and imprisoned???? This is fucking stupid and the LA zoo fucking sucks, making it bigger won't change how terrible it is. Instead of tearing down ecosystems to build space to keep animals imprisoned, spend those resources on a more pressing issues like homelessness.

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**Name:** Andrew

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 01:31 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please support Alternative 1 • Don't destroy 23 acres of native habitat, including 227 City-protected trees • The full project is counter to City priorities, including the Biodiversity Report and the LA Sustainability Plan • The LA Zoo will still benefit from zoo animal care improvements and many visitor amenities if Alternative 1 is implemented

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please do not destroy our beautiful park for a tourist attraction that the locals do not want. Increased traffic and the destruction of this park are steps in the wrong direction and not welcomed. I am a 10-year resident of Franklin Village and this will do nothing good for the surrounding areas.

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**Name:** Kevin Finnerty  
**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 02:42 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** I plan on providing a human obstacle to the bulldozers if and when this happens. Pretty sure I'll have lots of company.

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NO ZOO EXPANSION  
EXTINCTION REBELLION XRLA.ORG

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**Name:** William Bergmann

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The zoo should be permanently closed and the animals should be transferred to a new LA county site maybe somewhere near Magic Mountain, but at least 20 or 30 times larger. It should be in a remote area with decent traffic access. Small zoos are an abomination! Zoos can have a scientific purpose, but for 'pleasure' viewing of caged animals the zoo should be much larger than anything that could exist in Griffith Park.

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**Comments for Public Posting:** If you believe the purpose of zoos are meant to educate the public with a strong emphasis on scientific research and species conservation all while recreating natural habitats, then vote against this expansion. Please, conserve the natural habit that exists already.

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**Name:** Barbara

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Please tread lightly on the rare city land that Los Angeles calls Griffith Park Do we really need to change the natural habitat and beautiful park that's rare and we are so so blessed to have as part of our city.... Nature is so much more needed at this time.....not some commercial endeavor that will effect wildlife and flora and fauna.... Please preserve this precious area....

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**Name:** Reed Whisler

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I strongly oppose the proposal for an addition to the Los Angeles zoo. For LA, which is not only a biodiversity hotspot but severely lacking in wildlife habitat as it is threatened every day with urbanization, Griffith Park should remain wild! Griffith Park is the largest urban park in the nation and is a rare refuge for wildlife and humans alike. The function of a zoo is to create an appreciation for the natural world. Isn't it hypocritical to do this while killing off our native lands to do so? If tourists want to see a zoo tell them to go to San Diego.

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am against the LA Zoo expansion. Thank you

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**Name:** David

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I support the LA Zoo's plan to update and modernize. The Zoo needs to improve its infrastructure. The Zoo has massive crowds and needs improvement to handle the people and modern standards of animal care and conservation.

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** DO NOT EXPAND THE LA ZOO! We would lose a lot of wildlife along with beautiful park space that is great for a day with friends/family or even sitting and just reading a book.

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**Name:** Carla Mitchell

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 08:10 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I live in the Griffith Park area and I enjoy the park everyday hiking with my dog. The zoo DOES NOT need to be expanded. Leave Griffith alone, it's irresponsible, unnecessary, and a waste of resources to destroy what little nature we have left for the vanity of the olympics. The zoo is fine as is, truth be told I believe zoos are inhumane anyway. Don't displace hundreds of wild animals, destroy what few trees we have for something completely unnecessary!

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**Name:** Miriam

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**Comments for Public Posting:** This is unnecessary and very destructive to wildlife. The zoo already has a lot of empty spaces that is not being used and expanding it will just threaten natural habitats. If they really cared about wildlife they would focus on improving the programs they already offer.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Erica Goebel

**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 04:23 PM

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**Comments for Public Posting:** LA ZOO PROPOSED EXPANSION: I support the Friends of Griffith Park's position to urge the adoption of ONLY Alternative #1; the “Environmentally Superior Alternative.” This plan allows natural habitat areas to remain intact. The Zoo can still achieve animal care goals and will continue to be a world-class destination zoo. Alternative 1 reduces impacts by this project — by eliminating a huge special events facility, the “California Visitor Center,” and Alternative 1 rejects the funicular, the planted hillside vineyard, and a rock-climbing wall, thus protecting our native woodlands.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Xochitl Ramirez

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**Comments for Public Posting:** Hello my name is Xochitl Ramirez and I am a student at the University of California. The destruction of ecosystems and life around has been structurally possible through the project of settler colonialism, capitalism, and imperialism. Protect the Indigenous Yaagna + Tongva lands. I oppose the Zoo expansion at Griffith park, and I oppose destruction of our sacred land.

## Communication from Public

**Name:** Marli Perez  
**Date Submitted:** 12/07/2021 05:10 PM  
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**Comments for Public Posting:** Keep Griffith Park wild!

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**Name:**

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**Comments for Public Posting:** The Zoo's footprint should not be enlarged! I currently work with wildlife at a nonprofit in the Santa Monica Mountains and daily see the devastating effects of human encroachment on animals. The destruction of native trees and habitat of native animals would be terrible for animals that are already being decimated by our buildings and roads. We are currently raising money to create a wildlife corridor and these same constituents are not supportive of something that will destroy what we are trying so desperately to preserve!