

MOTION**Building a Livable City - Master Plan for the Van Nuys Civic Center**

Van Nuys is categorized in the Los Angeles County Parks Needs Assessment as being Very high Need in terms of park access. Yet, as a densely populated and fully built out area, few opportunities exist to add additional park space. For this reason, it is imperative that the city look at existing open space and how it could be better utilized to serve the community.

A key opportunity to add more green space is the plaza that sits within the Van Nuys Civic Center. The plaza is surrounded by government offices including the Braude Building, Van Nuys City Hall, the James C. Corman Federal Building, and several courthouses. It is also in close proximity to the Van Nuys business district and a dense residential neighborhood directly to the north and east. The Van Nuys Civic Center Plaza should be reimagined as a vibrant new public space that serves nearby office workers and residents during the day and can also be used for special events and programming.

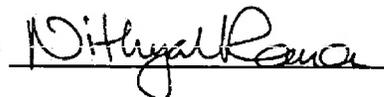
I THEREFORE MOVE that the Department of Public Works convene regular meetings that includes the Department of Recreation and Parks, General Services Department, Department of Cultural Affairs, Los Angeles Neighborhood Land Trust, and other adjacent property owners to the plaza to:

- Establish an MOU that shows ownership and maintenance responsibilities within the Civic Center.
- Establish a work plan for revitalizing the Civic Center Plaza that includes:
 - Renovating the plaza
 - Improving circulation and permeability between the plaza and surrounding neighborhood
 - Creating programming and engaging the local community and stakeholders.
 - Placing the Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg Monument (CF:20-1212)

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