

## Communication from Public

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**Comments for Public Posting:** I am a long time resident of the greater Los Angeles area. Natural open spaces supporting habitats, trails and a variety of plants and tree provide a welcome relief from ever growing development. These open spaces provided an oasis during covid. They continue to provide residents and visitors a place to walk, relax and a stress free environment and are well used. With accelerated development it is imperative to retain these areas. I feel developers use the ruse of housing crisis to build at will with little regard to residents, needed greenery, protected plant and tree species. I strongly support the motion to give trustee agencies like the Santa Monica Conservancy first right of refusal.