

Communication from Public

Name: Hollywood Partnership Community Trust

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Comments for Public Posting: Honorable Members of the Government Operations Committee, On behalf of Hollywood Partnership Ventures (dba Hollywood Partnership Community Trust), I write to encourage your support of the motion before you today, which would grant our organization the ability to construct and operate a public restroom and concierge visitor information center in underutilized retail space at the ground floor of the City-owned parking structure at 1627 Vine Street. With private businesses limiting access to their restroom facilities over safety and operational concerns, access to restrooms by the general public is critically lacking in Hollywood. This restroom, which would be staffed by The Hollywood Partnership during all hours of public operation, will provide a clean, safe, and comfortable restroom experience to two key Hollywood constituencies: the millions of annual visitors that support our tourism economy and the thousands of individuals experiencing homelessness on the streets of Hollywood. In her proposed 2023-24 budget, Mayor Bass has allocated \$1 Million in capital improvement funds to support the design and construction of this restroom. We are thrilled to have her support for this initiative, and would greatly appreciate your support as well. The retail space identified has long been vacant, and the City has been unable to attract a viable commercial tenant in past procurement processes. Together, we can put this asset to work for the greater good of our community. Sincerely, Steven Welliver, Executive Director Hollywood Partnership Community Trust



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PARTNERSHIP
COMMUNITY TRUST**

Government Operations Committee
% City Clerk, City Hall
200 N Spring St., Room 395
Los Angeles, CA 90012

April 25, 2023

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CC: Board of Directors, Hollywood Partnership Community Trust
Staff, The Hollywood Partnership
Hugo Soto-Martinez, Councilmember, Thirteenth District
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