



Office of the Los Angeles City Attorney
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REPORT RE:

**DRAFT ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 63.44.B.14(c) OF ARTICLE 3,
CHAPTER VI OF THE LOS ANGELES MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD
RUNNYMEDE PARK, LOCATED AT 20200 RUNNYMEDE STREET
IN THE WINNETKA NEIGHBORHOOD, TO THE LIST OF PARKS WITH
SPECIFIC OPENING AND CLOSING HOURS**

The Honorable City Council
of the City of Los Angeles
Room 395, City Hall
200 North Spring Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Honorable Members:

Pursuant to your request, this Office has prepared and now transmits for your consideration the enclosed draft ordinance, approved as to form and legality. The draft ordinance amends Section 63.44.B.14(c) of the Los Angeles Municipal Code by adding Runnymede Park, located at 20200 Runnymede Street in Winnetka, to the list of City parks with specific opening and closing hours. As requested in your action, the draft ordinance sets the hours for Runnymede Park to open at 5:00 a.m. and close at 8:30 p.m.

CEQA Determination

Prior to the adoption of this ordinance, we recommend that the City Council determine that its action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) under Section 153001 of the State CEQA Guidelines and Section 1(a) of



Article III of the City CEQA Guidelines, in that the project involves the minor alteration of an existing public facility with negligible or no expansion of its current use. The City Council may also determine that its action is exempt pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15323, as its action consists of the normal operation of existing facilities for public gatherings for which the facility was designed. Lastly, the City Council may also determine that its action does not constitute a project under CEQA pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b), in that the action relates merely to administrative and organizational matters and the setting of policy and procedures that do not result in any direct or indirect change to the physical environment. If the City Council concurs, it may comply with CEQA by making one or more of these determinations prior to or concurrent with its action on the ordinance.

Council Rule 38 Referral

A copy of the draft ordinance was sent, pursuant to Council Rule 38, to the Department of Recreation and Parks and the Los Angeles Police Department with a request that all comments, if any, be presented directly to the City Council when this matter is considered.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Deputy City Attorney Steven Hong at (213) 978-8130. A member of this Office will be available when you consider this matter to answer questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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Transmittal