

**MEETING AGENDA**

**CITY OF LOS ANGELES  
DEPARTMENT OF RECREATION AND PARKS  
CONCESSIONS COMMISSION TASK FORCE**

**Thursday, August 15, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter  
as the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners  
adjourns its Regular Meeting noticed for 9:00 a.m.**

**Friendship Auditorium  
3201 Riverside Dr, Los Angeles, CA 90027**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

II. NEW BUSINESS

(none)

III. ONGOING BUSINESS

- A. Rancho Park Golf Clubhouse Renovation Update
- B. Griffith Observatory Coin-operated Telescopes

IV. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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Requests by Commissioners to Schedule Specific Future Agenda Items.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments by the Public on Matters Presented to the Commission Task Force.

VI. NEXT MEETING

The next Commission Task Force on Concessions Meeting will tentatively be held on Thursday, September 19, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. or soon thereafter as the Board of Recreation and Park Commissioners adjourns its Regular Meeting noticed for 9:00 a.m. at Pacific Palisades Recreation Center, 851 Alma Real Dr. Pacific Palisades, CA 90272.

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**SUMMARY OF NEW AND CURRENT BUSINESS ITEMS**  
**August 15, 2024**

Rancho Park Golf Clubhouse Renovation Update

- Revised plans continue to go through the approval process with LAFD, LADBS, BOE, and LA County Health, since Jan 2024. Nothing from concessionaire or RAP is pending to these agencies.
- Concessionaire states spending \$2.8M to date and remains committed to completing the project. Remaining work requires financing. Challenges of this project with lenders are: post pandemic effects to cost; fluctuating cost of construction materials; inflationary environment for capital; impacts from LA Living Wage rates; and business climate in the City of L.A. and State of California.

Griffith Observatory Coin-operated Telescopes

- The Concession Agreement expired. Staff will soon release a Request for Information (RFI) to discover industry-wide equipment options for payment methods within a public telescope since most citizens no longer carry coins.
- Concessionaire gave notice to cease operations citing declining sales, the lack of people carrying coins, and key maintenance staff retiring.
- Observatory staff considering options including purchasing the 18 telescopes and converting them to free-view telescopes.