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To: The City of Los Angeles Department of Recreation and Parks Park Commission President Sylvia Patsouras, Vice President Lynn Alvarez  
Commissioners Melba Culpepper, Misty M. Sanford, and Pilar Diaz ( rap.commissioners@lacity.org ) Michael Shull, General Manager,  
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To Whom it May Concern: regarding permanent sign and furniture installation in Griffith Park. Recently new signage appeared in Griffith Park at the Berlin Forest that no one on the GPAB or from the community had any previous knowledge or input. This sign is out of character with current signage in the Park and we are perplexed by its inclusion. We have a signage committee that has worked for over a year developing the overall look and scope of signage in Griffith Park. Per the vision plan of Griffith Park, there are guidelines for how permanent fixtures should appear. Along with signage, there are fixtures such as water fountains and picnic benches which should also adhere to the "park style" and "look" laid out in the vision plan.

- *Infrastructure Design, page 52*
- *The natural Park character is typically defined with stone, stucco and natural or colored concrete with muted colors. To preserve the natural and environmentally coherent aesthetic of the Park these are the preferred materials for infrastructure elements throughout the Park.*
- *Furniture, p 53*
- *Furniture used within the Park should maintain a natural, outdoors character consistent with the Urban Wilderness Identity.*

We respectfully ask what the process and protocol are for having permanent fixtures designed and placed in Griffith Park. If someone could come to our meeting that would be welcome also. We would also request to be included in that process, for often issues or problems can be avoided through an open and public process. Since part of our mission as GPAB is to be a liaison to the community, we feel it would be in order to be included along the way.

Thank you for your consideration, we look forward to your thoughts.  
Once again, thank you.

Sincerely,

Laura Howe\*  
Board Member

Susan Swan\*  
Chair

\*signed electronically