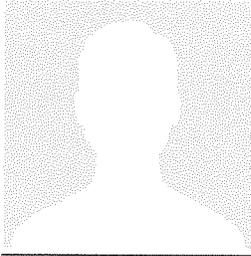


Attachment 5

Petitioning Honorable Julian A. Gold, John A. Mirisch, William W. Brien, Lili Bosse, and Nancy H. Krasne

SAY NO TO THE DOG PARK PROPOSED FOR ALDEN DRIVE AND FOOTHILL



Michael Baum United States

104 (as of 10/16/2015 11:30 a.m.)

Supporters

For several years the Beverly Hills City Council has desired to open a dog park in Beverly Hills for residents of Beverly Hills.

As residents of Beverly Hills we believe that great care must be taken to ensure that the rights of residents who live in the neighborhood of a dog park are taken into account and properly protected, otherwise any proposal must be rejected.

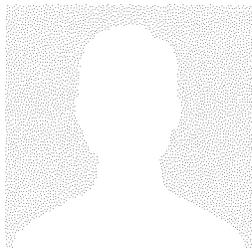
In May 2014 Beverly Hills City Council voted 3-2 to consider a proposal for a dog park at the corner of Alden Drive and Foothill Road.

A study was commissioned, and the Parks & Recreation Commission were asked to consider it, and to consult with local residents and stakeholders, and to come back to the City Council with recommendations for the dog park project.

Over the past year, despite many attempts by local residents to ensure that the Parks & Recreation Commission would take into account the reasonable concerns of local residents of that neighborhood, including several businesses and four synagogues in the vicinity of the proposed site, and to implement mitigations that would minimize the potential negative impact of the dog park, this has not happened, and the proposal in its current form, if implemented, would result in a poorly supervised dog park that would attract many more people to the area and to the park than they could handle. This would have a very negative impact on the local neighborhood, and would create endless problems for the people who currently work and frequent that area.

We therefore ask that the members of the Beverly Hills City Council vote against this proposal, and instead look elsewhere for a site that is more suitable for an off-leash dog park.

We Need You to Attend the City Meetings Regarding the Dog Park



Michael Baum

United States

Oct 11, 2015 — On October 13, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. the Recreation and Parks Commission is meeting (room 280A City Hall regarding the dog park--see link to agenda <http://www.beverlyhills.org/a?564735>. We need you there to express your opposition. More importantly, the City Council which has the final decision on the matter is meeting on October 20, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.-IT IS ABSOLUTELY CRITICAL THAT WE ALL BE THERE TO VOICE OUR OPPOSITION. We can only prevent this terrible decision that will adversely impact our neighborhood and the synagogues if you are present at City Hall and let the City Council know your opinion in person. Also you can email the Mayor and City Council at this address MayorandCityCouncil@beverlyhills.org

Reasons for signing

- [diana hirt](#) BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 1 day ago
 - Liked 0

pathway to our house of worship

- [Howie Falkov](#) TORONTO, GA
 - 1 day ago
 - Liked 0

I and my family own two dogs and we adore dogs. This has nothing to do with whether one is a "dog person" or not. It has everything to do with the proposed location being totally inappropriate given all of the reasons put forward by Rabbi Dunner. Shame on the City of Beverly Hills for not taking these legitimate concerns into account

- Behrouz Soroudi BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 1 day ago
 - Liked 0

My wife and I love dogs, but dogs and religious services are not compatible. The synagogue already exists and religious services are conducted there every week. The City needs to take the needs of the congregation into account before approving a dog park across the street. It is somewhat similar to approving a strip club across the street from a school. Not a good idea.

- Rebecca nissel BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

I am a member of Beverly Hills synagogue, which is located around the corner. I feel it will not be appropriate to have a dog park a few feet away. Thank you for your consideration.

- Benjamin Thompson BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

Please move the park to Rexford and Sunset - the huge grassy knoll above the water works

- Helen Sassover BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

I am opposed to the dog park in this location and I don't think that the negative ramifications on the surrounding businesses have been sufficiently considered.

- J.J. Wallack BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

I have no objection to a dog park, but this is not an appropriate location. There are 4 synagogues in the vicinity that are busiest on the weekends - exactly the same time that a dog park would be busiest. Attendees are walking, not driving, to synagogue. From my experience as a Realtor I know that there is a large percentage of this community that is petrified of dogs and choosing this location will cause anguish to this large population of people. Choosing to put a dog park should not cause so much distress in our Beverly Hills community, but that's exactly what is happening by choosing this location. Opposed.

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- Ernie Goldberger BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

We don't need a dog park near our synagogue. Why is the city putting one there? There are many other places to put a dog park. Me and my wife are both against this project. It is an insult to our community.

- ethel fox LOS ANGELES, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

No dog park near the Temple

- Edith Newman BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 4 days ago
 - Liked 0

I don't want a dog park

- LEWIS GASS BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 5 days ago
 - Liked 0

I feel this is an inappropriate location for a dog park.

- David Silver BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 5 days ago
 - Liked 0

I have several dogs, but this location is the wrong place for an unsupervised dog park. Supervision with appropriate hours to ensure that the business and places of worship in the area are not adversely effected is essential prior to approving this project

- stephen samuel BREAA, CA
 - 5 days ago

- Liked 0

Alden Drive is not the proper place for an off-the-leash dog park. It is a professional and religious location where people are frequently walking around in suits

- Stephen Schloss BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 5 days ago
 - Liked 0

Alden Drive and Foothill is not a place for an off-the-leash dog park. There are existing park areas elsewhere in the city that should be considered for this purpose. Since there are four synagogues in the immediate neighborhood of the dog park, the Commission must respect the concerns of these religious communities. This is the opposite of proper city planning. Perhaps a park that would have a children's playground would be a proper fit for the area, but only if the people in the area would favor it. This is a quiet sedate area that has been improving over time. The dog park would disrupt my neighborhood!

- Michael Novack BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

My family and I do not support a dog park in this location. Both my wife and I have been dog owners of large dogs - standard poodles and a german shepherd. My family's german shepherd was cared for at Dr. Shipp's Animal Hospital, so we are very familiar with the area.

It does not make sense to us to choose such an industrial location with a lack of amenities, go through a remediation process, and essentially force a dog park upon the neighborhood when more appropriate options exist. We are in favor of establishing a section of one of the existing city parks as an off-leash area for dogs.

We feel a dog park with the minimal oversight and supervision proposed will invite a variety of problems in this location

- Tuvia Ganz BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

I don't think it's appropriate for this area. How about a nice park for adults and children?

REPORT THIS COMMENT:

- joseph samuel LOS ANGELES, CA
 - 6 days ago

- Liked 0

i was bitten by a dog when i was a child and i m still afraid off dogs

- Carole Boag BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

I do not support a mildly supervised dog park from 8:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

Dedicating a portion of Roxbury Park would make more sense.

- Galina Samuel BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

I strongly oppose the Dog park

I don't feel safe around dogs

- Susan Baum BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

I don't believe this is a good use of scarce city funds. I don't appreciate the idea of having loud, smelly, barking dogs congregating in a small enclosed area where there are many business and houses of worship. Why not add on a section to an existing park such as Roxbury, or La Cienega, or how about the front lawn of City Hall

- Vera and Harold MARKOWITZ BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

This is not the right venue

- anna baum BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

I have a dog and love dogs, however, I feel that we should put the needs of Beverly Hills residents such as the elderly who do not drive or are wheel chair bound and are pushed by caregivers and children who are in the care of Nanny's who do not drive during the hours their Beverly Hills resident parents are at work. Why are dogs being prioritized before people?

Yes, there Roxbury park and La Cienega park, however, just try walking there pushing an elderly person on a hot day. Most dog owners walk their dogs and if they can walk their dogs they can usually ambulate quite well and probably drive as well. However, the elderly population in BH which is increasing with time cannot drive nor ambulate very far and with time are in the care of caregivers or family where eventually driving and transporting in a vehicle becomes difficult. I am a physician who has taken care of elderly parents and have children who live in Beverly Hills who are also physicians and their Nanny's do not drive, so the children have no park to go to. The streets of Beverly Drive are the playground for these children and elderly people. How beautiful it would be for the two age groups to gather at a lovely park with greenery on ALDEN DRIVE AND FOOTHIL. The interaction between youngsters and elderly is known to be beneficial to both. I say yes to a population that is often neglected and confined to their homes. I say yes to people and No to the DOG PARK PROPOSED FOR ALDEN DRIVE AND FOOTHILL.

- sharon gindi BEVERLY HILLS, CA
 - 6 days ago
 - Liked 0

an off leash dog park proposal in its current form would be disastrous for the area around our synagogue building, and for that whole neighborhood. Its not very considerate to all that will be affected