



*Beachwood
Canyon*

NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

Beachwood Canyon Neighborhood Association Opposes Griffith Park Aerial Tram

September 8, 2020

The BCNA board met with Consensus (the public relations group assigned to gather neighborhood input) twice over the past year. We have recently participated in the pop up events asking questions and listening to answers. We are opposed to this proposal in all of its forms for the following reasons:

We feel that the rationale for this project has not been substantiated, i.e. that the existence of an alternative to viewing the Hollywood Sign would relieve the tourist traffic congestion on the streets of Beachwood Canyon.

The impact on wildlife corridors and wildlife in general could be substantial and would need lengthy in-depth study before undertaking such a destructive shift of the natural terrain.

Mt. Lee Drive would be realigned which is a huge undertaking and we oppose this.

The stated crowd expectations at the viewing pad at the top of Deronda ignore the fact that many homes are mere feet from this pad. Their peaceful enjoyment of their property would end. 2,000 people an hour and a daily ridership of 13,000 people guarantee noise at the very least.

The construction of such a huge attraction would take a long time and interrupt the uses of the park like equestrian trails and hiking for the community and visitors enjoying the park.

This project ignores aspects of this park like the Vision Plan and the Historical Cultural Monument designations that are currently in place.

We are in alignment with Friends of Griffith Park in our opposition to this project and are prepared to stand against any efforts from Warner Brothers to create a viewing station in front of or near the Hollywood Sign. WB's plan also includes shops and other tourist amenities not in conformity to the purposes of Griffith Park as gifted from Col. Griffith.

Sincerely,

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