

Greater Griffith Park Neighborhood Council (GGPNC)  
 Candidate Statement (optional)

First Name: PETER Last Name: MCDONALD

MY NAME IS PETER MCDONALD, AND I WOULD LIKE YOUR VOTE FOR GGPNC REPRESENTATIVE, AREA B.

QUALITY OF LIFE HAS BECOME A MAJOR ISSUE IN THIS COMMUNITY. SAFE, ADEQUATE PARKING SHOULD BE YOUR RIGHT, NOT A PRIVILEGE. TAXPAYERS BUILT AND MAINTAIN PUBLIC STREETS. DON'T LET A TINY, ELITIST AND SEEMINGLY POLITICALLY-CONNECTED GROUP TAKE YOUR PARKING RIGHTS AWAY.

AFTER SEVERAL PRIVATE MEETINGS, STARTING IN SEPT. 2007 WITH A SINGLE PETITIONER, COUNCILMAN TOM LA BONGE HAS APPROVED A COSTLY STUDY FOR PROPOSED PERMIT ONLY / PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICT (PPD) 139. THIS WOULD EXTEND FROM LOS FELIZ BL. (NORTH) HOLLYWOOD BL. (SOUTH) VERMONT AVE. (EAST) AND NORMANDIE AVE. (WEST.) IF YOU LIVE IN THIS AREA YOU, YOUR FAMILY, AND GUESTS WILL HAVE TO PAY TO PARK ON PUBLIC STREETS. BOTH THE GGPNC, AND THE LOS FELIZ IMPROVEMENT ASSN. ARE OPPOSED TO THIS PLAN.

LAST YEAR, IN A PUBLIC MEETING, CLOSE TO 400 ANGRY RESIDENTS MADE IT CLEAR TO MR. LA BONGE THAT WE DO NOT NEED, NOR WANT PPD'S IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD.

A PPD AS LARGE AS 139 WOULD HAVE TO BE BROKEN INTO SEGMENTS. THE MAIN DIVISION WILL BE FRANKLIN AVE. IF YOU LIVE BELOW FRANKLIN YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO PARK ABOVE.

THERE ARE COMMON SENSE WAYS TO DEAL WITH OUR PARKING PROBLEMS:

STOP THE STORAGE OF JUNK CARS RV'S, BOATS AND LARGE COMMERCIAL VEHICLES ON OUR STREETS. CLOSE DOWN THE ILLEGAL USED-CAR LOTS ON LOS FELIZ BL. AND FRANKLIN AVE. MEASURE AND PAINT-STRIPE RESIDENTIAL CURBS. USE 2 SPACES, GET A TICKET. OPEN HOLLYWOOD BL. TO OVERNIGHT PARKING. OPEN THE LOWER BARNSDALL PARK LOT TO OVERNIGHT PARKING. WORK WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES/HOSPITALS TO RENT OVERNIGHT PARKING.

NO TO PPD 139. YES TO PETER MCDONALD, GGPNC AREA B REPRESENTATIVE.

IF YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL ME 323/665-5849.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the above statements are true and correct.

Signature: *Peter McDonald*

Date: MAY 27, 2009

CANDIDATE STATEMENT