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November, 2020, Community Safety Partnership (CSP) officers conducted a site survey of the South Park CSP zone. CSP officers completed the surveys.

Note: South Park CSP has no direct affiliation with the Housing Authority of Los Angeles (HACLA).

The following report is a summary of some of the issues/concerns that were observed. Below listed are some examples of areas of concern we were directed to focus on.

- Missing or faded LAMC 41.23 signs on every building or public gathering space.
- Missing or broken lights.
- Dark walkways or under-lit areas
- Missing or cut/broken fencing or barriers
- Gates or doors with broken locks
- Vandalized cameras, windows, signs, buildings
- Areas of large group or gang group congregation where no cameras currently exist
- Areas where stop signs could be placed
- Areas where speed bumps can be placed
- Areas where street signs can be placed (ped crossing, speed limit, cross walk, etc.)
- Curb lines that need to be painted red or handicapped

South Park has been experiencing elevated gang activity between the local Playboy gang. Below is a short summary as to why these cameras would benefit the community to improve the safety of our citizens who enjoy their leisure time at South Park.

- A murder occurred on Park Front Walk where a local gang member was shot and killed.
- Several robberies occurred on Park Front Walk by the local gang members.
- A Citizen who does not wish to be identified reported hearing 3 possible gun shots on Park Front Walk and identified three known Playboy gang members as the suspects.
- A Citizen who does not wish to be identified reported hearing five gun shots on Park Front Walk and identified 4 Playboys as the suspects.
- There were previously sent photographs of graffiti committed by both gangs on the park grounds. 38th Street gang members drove up in a grey sedan and tagging 38th Street on the stage and other buildings. When the playboys discovered it, the gang members crossing out 38th Street and tagging their gang.
- The 38th Street gang members posted a video on Instagram (@lahoodmedia) of an ambush on a Playboy gang member across from South Park near the intersection of 51st Street and

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Avalon Blvd. The video shows approximately four alleged 38th Street gang members lying in wait in a park vehicle while a Playboy gang member walked by. The four jumped out of the vehicle and a physical altercation ensued.

- 38th Street gang members tagged on 51st Street and San Pedro while the Playboys tagged the park and a citizen's garage door.

As discussed, the positioning of these cameras would greatly increase the ability to monitor these areas and significantly lower the gang activity in the park. Multiple citizen reports indicate that the community is in fear from the on- going gang issues. Thank you all for your partnership in truly making a difference in this much deserved community to provide the safety for all.