

MOTION BY SUPERVISOR HILDA L. SOLIS

August 12, 2025

Parking Fee Waiver for Gloria Molina Grand Park’s Block Party: Celebrating L.A. Culture & Community

Gloria Molina Grand Park, in partnership with The Music Center, proudly presents the *Gloria Molina Grand Park’s Block Party: Celebrating L.A. Culture & Community* on Saturday, September 6, in the heart of downtown Los Angeles. This free public event will once again transform three blocks of the park into a vibrant celebration of joy, cultural expression, and community connection.

This year’s theme, “Homegrown Resilience,” honors the spirit of strength and recovery rooted in Los Angeles’ communities. Inspired by the lived experiences of Angelenos, the event highlights local artists whose work reflects resilience born from challenges, including wildfires and recent federal immigration raids, and the enduring spirit that unites the County of Los Angeles.

Beginning at 3:00 p.m., the festivities will feature an electrifying lineup of Los Angeles County-based DJs, curated in partnership with KCRW Summer Nights, including Black House Radio, Discos Rolas, and KCRW’s own Boogie Boudreaux and Francesca Harding. The celebration continues with poignant art installations, interactive activities by community organizations, a dynamic food truck experience, and a dazzling 3-D drone show lighting up the night sky.

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Art takes center stage at the Block Party. Curated by Bruce Lemon, Cornerstone Theater Company, and Contra-Tiempo Activist Dance Theater, the *Little LA* experience invites attendees on a walkable cultural journey through Los Angeles County's rich immigrant neighborhoods. Highlights include guided dance sessions, a chalk-drawn map of Los Angeles County's iconic freeways, storytelling soapboxes, and a scavenger hunt.

The *Art Walk* features a visual feast curated by Tlaloc Studios, including *Everyday Alchemy in the Still Moments*, an intimate portrait series of Angeleno life by photographers Gregory Bojorquez, Carlos Jaramillo, Valerie J. Bower, and Nori Rasmussen. *Art Walk* includes installations by Terrick Gutierrez and Teresa Flores that challenge and celebrate Los Angeles County's evolving identity through public dialogue and participatory art.

The Block Party's Rights and Resources Booths will provide voter registration, legal advocacy, and wellness resources from community organizations such as CHIRLA, Westside Food Bank, Las Fotos Project, and others. Cultural navigators and interpreters will be available throughout the event to ensure inclusivity for all attendees.

A curated selection of food trucks will serve a global menu including Mediterranean, Venezuelan, Chinese, Japanese, Mexican, and American cuisine, alongside a variety of dessert, coffee, and beverage vendors. The event is open to all ages, including leashed pets, and prioritizes safety, accessibility, and sustainability.

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I, THEREFORE, MOVE that the Board of Supervisors:

1. Recognize Gloria Molina Grand Park for its vital role in strengthening community bonds and enriching the cultural life of the County of Los Angeles.
2. Waive parking fees for 639 spaces at AP 10 (145 N. Broadway) on September 6, 2025, for a 24-hour period, in the amount of \$6,390.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance.
3. Waive parking fees for 6 spaces at AP 11A (220 N. Broadway) on:
 - a. September 5, 2025, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:59 p.m., and
 - b. September 6, 2025, for a 24-hour period, in the total amount of \$240.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance.
4. Waive parking fees for 150 spaces at AP 18 (140 N. Grand Ave.) on September 6, 2025, for a 24-hour period, in the amount of \$0, excluding the cost of liability insurance.
5. Waive parking fees for 250 spaces at AP 16 (111 S. Grand Ave.) on September 6, 2025, for a 24-hour period, in the amount of \$2,500.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance.
6. Waive parking fees for 150 spaces at AP 14 (135 N. Grand Ave.) on September 6, 2025, for a 24-hour period, in the amount of \$1,500.00, excluding the cost of liability insurance.

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