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## GARCETTI, COMMUNITY BREAK GROUND AT SUNSET TRIANGLE UKULELE STRAINS ACCOMPANY COMMENCEMENT OF COMMUNITY- DESIGNED IMPROVEMENTS

Accompanied by ukulele music, Councilmember Eric Garcetti and neighborhood representatives moved the symbolic first shovelfuls of earth to make way for a brand new irrigation system and other improvements to the Sunset Triangle.

“This is a small park with a big part in the community’s life,” said Councilmember Garcetti. “The Sunset Triangle is a true Silver Lake crossroads, and now it will look exactly like the community wants it to.”

“This is the start of a season of progress for Silver Lake and the Sunset Triangle,” Helen Lessick, representing the Silver Lake Neighborhood Council’s Beautification Committee. “The neighborhood council is pleased to partner with Sunset Junction and citizens of all ages to make our neighborhood a great place to work, shop and live.”

“It’s great that Councilmember Garcetti is making this kind of investment in Sunset Triangle,” said Esser Alvarez, youth counselor for Sunset Junction, which cleans the park before and its weekly Farmer’s Market.

Improvements to the fountain and park have been a focus of Councilmember Garcetti’s office since their use expanded dramatically after the opening of the Sunset Junction Silver Lake Farmer’s Market. The council office won a federal grant of \$95,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds and added \$11,000 from the council office’s limited discretionary funds to hire an independent design consultant to work with community members.

The park is much used by the neighborhood, as indicated by district-wide surveys returned to the council office (and equally indicated by the trampled, patchy grass soon to be replaced). After community members expressed concern about homeless encampments and park disrepair, Councilmember Garcetti facilitated a community-led design process to find a new vision for the park. The improvements will include new grass, an irrigation system, and seating boulders; a future planned phase of construction may expand the park’s grassy space.

Ever a colorful community asset, the Sunset Triangle’s distinctive fountain was recently the subject of an art prank when unknown parties affixed a sign claiming that it was erected in honor of the inventor of the bedpan.

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