

## 7<sup>th</sup> District News COUNCILMEMBER ALEX PADILLA

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## PADILLA DIRECTS CITY TO AUTHORIZE NEW BASEBALL FIELD AT HANSEN DAM

**LOS ANGELES** – Councilmember Alex Padilla today introduced a motion to authorize the Department of Recreation and Parks to lease land for a new Little League of America baseball field in the Dronfield area of Hansen Dam in the northeast San Fernando Valley. Little League of America would then be able to develop the land with funds donated from the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation. Under the terms of the proposed agreement, Recreation and Parks would maintain the field for the first three years of the lease, and would be able to hold activities at the facility when not being used by Little League of America.

"I'm pleased to 'pitch' this new baseball field to my colleagues, and I know it will be a 'hit' with young people." said Padilla, who played in Little League while growing up in the northeast Valley. "Providing positive activities for youth, including after-school athletic programs such as Little League, is absolutely essential. I used to play baseball at the very site where the new baseball field will be built, and I want to ensure that future generations have the same opportunities I had when I was growing up."

On Tuesday, March 21, Padilla introduced a motion to direct the City to donate land at Hansen Dam to the Children's Museum Foundation for a new museum site.

The 7<sup>th</sup> Council District serves the communities of Arleta, Lake View Terrace, Mission Hills, North Hills, North Hollywood, Pacoima, Panorama City, Sun Valley, Sylmar, and Van Nuys.

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