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LETTER TO THE CITY COMMISSION

OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

NO. LTC # *144-2014*

TO: Mayor Philip Levine and Members of the City Commission

FROM: Jimmy L. Morales, City Manager

DATE: April 28, 2014

SUBJECT: **PARKS & RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD MOTION OF APRIL 28, 2014 EMERGENCY MEETING**

In a Letter to Commission (LTC #125-2014) dated April 3, 2014, clarification of the original Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board's Motion of April 2, 2014 concerning the Par 3 putting green was provided to the Mayor and Commission. The revised April 3, 2014, Motion read as follows (modifications are underlined):

MOTION: *The Parks & Recreational Facilities Advisory Board, after giving careful consideration, unanimously requests that the space currently designated as the Par 3 putting green, and that the space which includes the open space adjacent to the Scott Rakow Youth Center building, pool and parking lot, be fully considered as an open recreational and play area for the children of Miami Beach and specifically, for activities and programming at the Scott Rakow Youth Center.*

On April 28, 2014, the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board held an emergency meeting and passed the following motion:

MOTION: *The Parks Board agrees and formally adopts the language of the corrected/amended LTC and further wishes to clarify that it was the intent of the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board at the time of our LTC, when specifically defining the areas as: that the space currently designated as the Par 3 putting green, and that the space which includes the open space adjacent to the Scott Rakow Youth Center building, pool and parking lot, that it incorporated all the usable land behind the "Parking Lot", which would include the land from behind the current fence, to the Mikva.*

The Board further wishes to clarify that for safety and full use of the property, we believe the perimeter should be secured and fenced by the Scott Rakow Youth Center as deemed appropriate by the Parks and Recreation Department.

To further clarify, the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board adopts the following diagram, (Attachment "A") as the approximate outline of the area intended for use by the Scott Rakow Youth Center; with the full understanding that the Center make as much use of the area as practical.

That the Parks and Recreational Facilities Advisory Board has given careful consideration to the proposal of the Bayshore Homeowners Association and continues to believe it is in the significant interest of the overall City and the children and families of the Scott Rakow Youth Center, that the space currently designated as the Par 3 putting green be incorporated into the Scott Rakow Youth Center recreational and play area.

Members Present: Jonathan Groff, Leslie Graff, Lori Nieder, Paul Stein and Eliane Soffer Siegel

Motion Made By: Jonathan Groff

Motion Seconded By: Paul Stein

Motion Passed: Votes 5-0

As previously stated, the Board recognizes and is aware that a Settlement Agreement between the City and the neighboring residents was previously agreed to. It also understands that this is a modification to that agreement and requires Commission action.

The Board members, as understood by staff, will be reaching out to their respective Commissioners in order to find a sponsor for their motion and request a referral to the Neighborhoods and Community Affairs Committee, or Land Use, whichever the City Commission deems appropriate.

JLM/JMT/JR/CG

c: J. Mark Taxis, Assistant City Manager
John Rebar, Parks & Recreation Director
Carla Gomez, Parks & Recreation, Assistant Director
Elizabeth Valera, Parks & Recreation, Acting Assistant Director

RECOMMENDATION OF PARKS AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES ADVISORY BOARD

The Blue Outline to Form Approximate Boundaries of SRYC Recreational and Play Area



Area Currently Used by SRYC for Outdoor Recreational & Play (Between Yellow Lines)

Landscaping

Location of Current Fenced Play Area

Parks Board Original, LTC: "... that the space currently designated as the Par 3 putting green, and that the space which includes the open space adjacent to the Scott Rakow Youth Center building, pool and parking lot,..."

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