

District of Columbia Government Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A Box 75115 Washington, DC 20013



March 13, 2007

Councilmember Harry Thomas Chair, Libraries, Parks, and Recreation Committee Council of the District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Ste 402 Washington, DC 20004

Dear Councilmember Thomas:

At our regularly scheduled meeting on March 8, 2007 with a quorum present, our Commission voted unanimously to support the following budget requests regarding Sherwood Recreation Center.

First, we request a new fence with a wrought iron fence that is durable, strong, and attractive. The existing fence is flimsy and has fallen down in some places. The community notes that children enter the facility to ride mopeds around the walking/riding track, activity that will cost Department of Parks and Recreation more funds in maintenance than it would gain by replacing the current fence with a wrought iron fence around the area.

Second, to continue promoting safety, we request a camera facing the parking lot to act as a deterrent to congregation of individuals after hours and vandalism of cars parked in the lot.

Third, we ask that the carpet be replaced with a material that will not deteriorate as the present has done. Currently, the carpet is filthy and cannot be cleaned of dirt and grime.

Fourth, we seek additional lighting to the front of the building that will highlight it should promote public safety by making activity at the center more visible. This has been requested by both the Sherwood Recreation Advisory Council and employees at the center.

Our Commission has authorized Commissioner Stephanie Nixon, or her designee, to provide testimony at the committee's hearings.

On behalf of the Commission,

Joseph Fengler

Chair, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 6A

CC: Councilmember Tommy Wells, Ward 6

Marcus Ellis, DPR, Ward 6

Sherwood Recreation Advisory Council