

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



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Ms. Wanda Durden, DPR Interim Director Department of Parks and Recreation 3149 16th Street, N.W. - 4th Floor Washington, D.C. 20010

Re: Proposed Dog Park Establishment Rules Published in DC Register March 02, 2007

Ms. Durden:

At our regularly scheduled public meeting on March 8, 2007, our Commission voted unanimously to request a 45 day time extension to review the proposed dog park establishment rules published in the DC Register on March 02, 2007. The Department of Parks and Recreation's website states that all comments on the proposed rules must be submitted no later than April 2, 2007. The late notice of the rulemaking and the proposed due date for comments, do not allow sufficient time for ANC 6A to thoroughly review the proposed rules.

Based on our initial review, our Commission can not support the proposed rules as they will prevent the establishment of dog parks within in our community. It is our view that the rules as currently written are not within the spirit or the intent of the City Council Dog Park Establishment Act.

It is our hope that the granting of a 45 day time extension will allow us to develop specific recommendations for improvements to the existing rules. If the time can not be extended, ANC 6A opposes the rules as written.

We look forward to your response. If you have any questions, you may contact Commissioner William Schultheiss at schultheissatsen <a href=

On behalf of the Commission,

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