



November 10,2017

To: City Council Representatives Kendra Black, Albus Brooks, Jolon Clark, Rafael Espinoza, Kevin Flynn, Stacie Gilmore, Chris Herndon, Paul Kashmann, Robin Kniech, Paul Lopez, Wayne New, Debbie Ortega, Mary Beth Susman

Copy: Mayor Michael Hancock
INC Zoning and Planning Committee
INC Parks and Recreation Committee

Subject: CPFAN Resolution in support of Parks Zoning

Please read the attached Resolution from the INC Zoning and Planning Committee.

City Park Friends and Neighbors (CPFAN) adopted this resolution on November 7, 2017, requesting City Council amend the Zoning Code such that park land classified as OS-A is subject to community-inclusive zoning control processes similar to other zoning classifications and under the authority of City Council, and to conduct a meaningful community engagement process to establish specific park zoning.

Warmest regards,

LaMone Noles

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Resolution to Amend the Zoning Code to Provide Zoning of Parks

Whereas the City Charter of the City and County of Denver assigns responsibility form land use to City Council; and,

Whereas Denver’s 2010 Zoning Code rewrite created a parks and open space zoning category called OS-A and assigned all parkland to the OS-A category; and,

Whereas the 2010 Zoning Code assigned unilateral, blanket responsibility for all use decisions for OS-A to the Executive Director of Parks and Recreation; and,

Whereas the Director of Parks and Recreation is a single individual, appointed by the Mayor, the 2010 Zoning Code has removed parks land use responsibility from the. City Council, who are representatives of the neighborhoods’ citizens; and,

Whereas the Director of Parks has used this authority to make decisions about park. land use without consideration of the public’s input; and,

Whereas City Council has the authority to amend the Zoning Code; and, Whereas Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation has opposed the assignment of OS-A land use decisions to the Director of Parks and Recreation in the new Zoning Code in a Resolution issued on September 12, 2009;

It is Resolved by Inter-Neighborhood Cooperation Zoning and Planning:

We request City Council to amend the Zoning Code such that OS-A land is subject to community-inclusive zoning control processes similar to other zoning classifications and under the authority of City Council and commit to take no action in Council to bring forth a bill in this matter until a meaningful community engagement process. has been completed.

Passed by the Zoning and Planning Committee of the Inter Neighborhood Cooperative on October 28, 2017.

Will be voted on at the INC Delegates meeting on November 11, 2017 @ 8:30 am – 11:15 AM, WillisCase Golf Course 4999 Vrain St Denver 80212

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