



## Capitol Park IV Condominium Association, Inc.

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### **VIA EMAIL**

Mr. Ed Kaminski  
ANC6D -2d Representative  
Washington, DC 20024

Re: CPIV Interests re: Randall Park Rejuvenation

Dear Mr. Kaminski:

In response to your request, and in preparation for the upcoming November 15<sup>th</sup> community meeting regarding the above-caption, the Board of Capitol Park IV Condominium Association (CPIV) submits our community's interests, concerns, and idea(s):

### **Curb Appeal:**

- Repaving of the road from the Delaware circle leading to the park for improved curb appeal. Repair and installation of proper sidewalks along this same road.
- Improve curb appeal on the I Street entrance side of the park -- more and better lighting, removal of most of the paving with addition of seating and plantings.
- Removal of the brick barrier walls leading to the former day-care building to open up this area.
- Improved lighting around the former day-care building, and the park entrance areas.
- New windows and removal of the metal rusting screens from the former day-care building windows (for a clean, more appealing look as one enters SW).

### **Signage:**

- More welcoming and clearly identifiable entrance signs for both the pool and playground/park areas.
- Clearly marked parking spaces and signage along the back entrance to prevent cars from "jack-knifing" along the missing curbside.
- Continued exclusive parking rights for Zone 6 residents within the circle itself.

- Post reasonable closing hours to avoid late-night events and noise disturbances to our residents, especially for our owners in closest proximity to the park, but keep the field lights on for added security.
- Signs prohibiting loitering on the center grounds and vandalizing the common fence along CPIV property, enforced by regular police patrols.

### **General Programming Improvements:**

- Upgrade the Tennis and Basketball courts.
- Create a running track around the edge of the baseball/football field. Use modern surfacing to make this a high end track.
- Add soccer goals so that the field is convertible into a soccer field.
- Add one “non-traditional” activity such as a skating area or a handball court.
- Improved, “open” and larger playground area and physically challenging equipment for children ages 2-12. The playground should not be in close proximity to the basketball courts where children could be exposed to adult, inappropriate and/or vulgar language.
- MORE swings!!!
- The playground should not be placed behind locked gates (as it presently is), hindering access.
- Orient baseball fields so that balls fly towards the South Capitol freeway and away from CPIV.
- Installation of a ten foot or taller fence to help prevent fly balls from coming onto the property.
- Make games available for children and adults to obtain and return (in exchange for an ID or key, for example), like bumper pool, air hockey, table tennis, board games (Monopoly, chess, checkers, etc.).
- New toilets with properly-functioning privacy doors inside the swimming pool area.
- Benches for patrons to sit upon while changing in the bathroom areas and fans to keep moisture to a minimum.
- Privacy curtains for shower stalls.
- Replace lounge chairs in the swimming pool area (many are old and broken).
- Ideas to generate money for maintenance costs:

- ✓ Rent/sell clean pool towels to patrons for \$2 each;
- ✓ Add ample water fountains and vending machines;
- ✓ Borrowed game fine for missing or broken pieces (eg. \$.50-\$1.00).

Finally, if at all plausible, CPIV would be interested in entering into a legally binding agreement with the City that would prohibit the development of large buildings near the shared fence line with CPIV property, and impose agreed-upon height limitations on buildings to be constructed directly along South Capitol Street.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to provide input for this important meeting with DPR and community leaders regarding Randall Park. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Felicia Coutts, Board President, at (202) 368-5865.

Sincerely,

CPIV Board of Directors