City of Alexandria, Virginia

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

MAY 26, 2011

TO:

THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN KOMOROSKE AND MEMBERS OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

FROM:

JAMES B. SPENGLER, DIRECTOR

RECREATION, PARKS & CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

SUBJECT:

FRANCIS C. HAMMOND LOWER FIELD

RESPONSE TO EMAIL FROM NANCY JENNINGS OF MAY 25, 2011

On May 25, 2011, an e-mail from Nancy Jennings, President of the Seminary Hill Association, was sent to all City Council and Planning Commission members opining a position related to the athletic field at Lower Hammond. It is assumed that the attributed statements are associated with the proposed Athletic Field Lights at Hammond Middle School (SUP #2010-0079). The purpose of this memorandum is to respond to her e-mail.

Ms. Jennings Statement:

"Obviously the City does not need more athletic playing fields; people cannot get to the lower field at Hammond Middle School because of the materials and box cars in the parking lot! The red boxcar is labeled "asbestos."

Response:

During school hours, Alexandria City Public Schools uses the Lower Hammond field for Physical Education classes. ACPS soccer teams practice on the field after school hours. Department of Recreation, Parks & Cultural Activities programs use remaining time on weekends. The current program and use schedule:

Men's Flag Football	April - July	Saturday & Sunday	8:00 a.m5:00 p.m.
Men's Soccer Leagues	April - July		
T.C. Williams High School	February 28 - May 15	Monday–Friday	3:00 - 6:30 p.m.
Soccer Teams		Saturday	3:00 - 6:30 p.m.
T.C. Williams High School Soccer Teams	August - November	Monday-Friday	3:00 - 6:30 p.m.
	August - November	Saturday	9:00 a.m 12 p.m.
Men's Flag Football	August - November	Saturday & Sunday	8:00 a.m5:00 p.m.
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Cc: Margaret Byess, Deputy Superintendent, Alexandria City Public Schools