

May 5, 2022

Alice Loya, Director of Parks and Recreation City of Fullerton 303 West Commonwealth Avenue Fullerton, CA 92832

Meg McWade, Director of Public Works City of Fullerton 1580 West Commonwealth Avenue Fullerton, CA 92832

Dear Ms. Loya and Ms. McWade:

Please let this letter serve as our written notice to terminate the Fullerton School District and City of Fullerton Joint Use Agreement as of June 30, 2022.

Per the Agreement dated February 1, 2017, the City of Fullerton has been responsible for the maintenance and allocation for use by the community at Beechwood, Commonwealth, Fern Drive, Golden Hill, Hermosa, Ladera Vista Junior High, Laguna Road, Maple, Nicolas Junior High, Pacific Drive, Parks Junior High, Richman, and Woodcrest. The City has also been responsible for allocation for use by the community at Orangethorpe, Raymond, Richman, Rolling Hills, Sunset Lane and Valencia Park. Under the agreement, the City retained all fees collected and the District paid the City \$135,000 for maintenance. The City and the District shared in the cost of watering and irrigation of the fields.

Unfortunately, due to budgetary issues at the City over the last five years, the level of maintenance and care provided by the City has drastically declined. Despite a decrease in service, the amount paid by the District to the City has increased to over \$150,000 per year. Fields have not been watered at an adequate level to produce safe fields for student and community use.

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We appreciate you working with us over the last 9 months to shift the responsibility to the District for the maintenance of all Fullerton School Fields and drafting a new agreement for the five shared school fields (Fern Drive School/Fern Park, Maple School/Lemon Park, Orangethorpe School/Park, Valencia Park School/Park, and Woodcrest School/Park). Our hope is that our new agreement can be approved before July 1, 2022. Under a new agreement, the District has offered to maintain and water all five of the shared school fields at no cost to the City.

After numerous discussions and meetings with you and your staff, I know we are close to sending an agreement for approval to the Fullerton City Council and Fullerton School District Board of Education that will benefit not only the City of Fullerton and Fullerton School District, but the Fullerton Community as well. I look forward to continuing to partner with the City to allocate fields to the various users that the City granted access to in 2021-2022.

Sincerely,

Robert R. Coghlan, Ph.D.

Assistant Superintendent, Business Services Division

Fullerton School District

cc: Robert Pletka, Ed.D., Superintendent, Fullerton School District
Beverly Berryman, Board of Trustee President, Fullerton School District
Jeff Collier, Acting City Manager, City of Fullerton
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