

Honourable Mayor Nenshi
City of Calgary

Re: Item 7.26 Land Redevelopment Request
Attachment 2, Exhibit E

Your Worship,



It has come to our attention that a letter of support regarding the search for a site to replace the artificial turf fields, scheduled for demolition, used by Field Hockey groups in the city has been included in a petition for sport fields near the Genesis Centre. The letter attached with the petition is in no way associated with this endeavour and we would like it removed from the petition. We have not spoken with this this group nor were we aware of the petition.

Sport Calgary recognizes the dearth of playfields in the far Northeast section of the city but this particular letter was not requested by this group regarding this project.

Calgary Field Hockey, through Alberta Field Hockey has been pursuing talks with the city, and as indicated in the letter are seeking to replace fields they will be losing in the near future. Through meetings with Dennis LaFreniere, a number of potential future sites were looked at in the new areas opening up in the city. The suggestion (without promise) was that the group might do best at the Jackson Port site. This group has a business plan and strategy that we do not want to compromise should a letter intended for their use be associated with another plan.

We request that this letter be removed from this petition. The group involved is welcome to discuss their needs and plans with Sport Calgary as they apply to the site they are interested in.

Sincerely,

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