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April 16, 2015

Ms. Robin Ward, Director

MOA Heritage Land Bank

PO Box 196650

Anchorage AK 99519

Alaska Rugby Foundation Board

c/o Mr. Ben Mohr

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Anchorage AK 99504

Regarding: Retraction of earlier letter of support for proposed rugby park on Parcel 2-144

Dear Ms. Ward and Alaska Rugby Foundation Board,

Rabbit Creek Community Council voted on April 9 to rescind our February 22, 2015 letter of support for the Anchorage Rugby Foundation’s proposed development of a public park with a rugby field and other amenities on 8 acres of HLB Parcel 2-144. The motion to rescind was approved the general membership, with no persons objecting.

The Council’s February letter expressed concern that the project lacked the public outreach and review typical for development of a park. We later found that many neighbors had no knowledge of the proposal when the sponsors unveiled it at our February meeting. The representatives of the Alaska Rugby Foundation have been attentive and responsive to our Council’s concerns, and we wish them well in finding a suitable site.

The Council has since received several letters, a petition, testimony, and a resolution from residents, enumerating their concerns about potential adverse impacts from the proposed rugby field park. The Council’s primary role is to serve as a forum and a voice for our residents. In the future, the Council will not feel rushed to act without ensuring that our affected residents have adequate notice and response time.

Nancy Pease, Chair

Cc:

John Rodda and Holly Spoth-Torres, MOA Parks & Rec

Shannon Vivian, ARF Secretary

John DeCarlo and Bill Stamm, neighborhood representatives

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