



# Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A

*“Serving the Foggy Bottom and West End communities of Washington, D.C.”*

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Mr. Delano Hunter  
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## **RE: Revised Master Plan for Francis Field**

Dear Acting Director Hunter,

At its special meeting on February 21, 2019, Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (“ANC 2A” or “Commission”) considered the above-referenced matter. With eight of eight commissioners present, a quorum at a duly-noticed public meeting, the Commission voted unanimously (**8-0-0**), after a motion made by Commissioner Goldin and seconded by Commissioner Epstein, to adopt the following resolution:

WHEREAS, a revised master plan for Francis Field (Exhibit A), a park situated in the West End neighborhood of ANC 2A, has been drafted in accordance with the 2018 partnership agreement between the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR) and the Friends of Francis Field (FFF), a nonprofit organization that is improving the field with private funding,

WHEREAS, FFF submitted a proposed revised master plan to DPR for approval on December 13, 2018 which primarily documents changes that were made since the current master plan was approved in September of 2009, including the addition of the Francis Dog Park in 2015 and the expansion of the 2501 M Street NW building at the south end of the field in 2016 and 2017,

WHEREAS, the new landscape plan was drafted by the professional landscape architecture firm Oculus, which also developed the 2009 plan,

WHEREAS, FFF has funded the architectural work, and according to the DPR-FFF agreement, will also fund the improvements, which principally comprise of landscape plantings,

WHEREAS, numerous community members and stakeholders have been consulted by FFF and the ANC and are in support of the revised master plan and proposed landscaping enhancements, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors and leadership of the Francis Dog Park are currently prioritizing improvements within existing dog park boundaries.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that ANC 2A requests that DPR approve the FFF proposed revised master plan as submitted (Exhibit A), recognizing that, in



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the future, alterations may be brought to the ANC and DPR for consideration if safety, usage, or community needs or interests evolve.

Commissioners Nicole Goldin ([2A02@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2A02@anc.dc.gov)), Jeri Epstein ([2A06@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2A06@anc.dc.gov)), and William Kennedy Smith ([2A04@anc.dc.gov](mailto:2A04@anc.dc.gov)) are the Commission’s representatives in this matter.

ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSION.

Sincerely,

William Kennedy Smith, MD  
Chairperson

CC: Peter Nohrden, Capital Projects, Planning, and Design, DPR  
Katie Rehwaldt, Manager of Park Partners and Community Engagement, DPR  
Gary Griffith, President, Friends of Francis Field

# **Exhibit A**

**Revised Master Plan for Francis Field**

