



July 12, 2018

Dear Council President and members:

The West Washington Park Registered Neighborhood Association, being anchored by one of Denver's most lauded and frequented parks, takes seriously the role which parks, trails and open space play in the health and welfare of our neighborhood's residents and those of the city at large. The impact of record population growth and obvious deferred maintenance on our current parks system is a frequently raised topic within our organization. Our members regularly advocate for efforts to bring the same level and quality of open space that we have long enjoyed to all portions of our growing city, while also supporting the maintenance and enrichment of the historic parks infrastructure of Denver.

With this in mind, the West Washington Park Neighborhood Association supports the idea of an ordinance to increase the sales and use tax by a rate of 0.25 percent and dedicate the revenue derived from the tax rate increase to fund Denver parks, trails, and open space, as previously presented to our association by Councilman Jolon Clark. Our association is aware that this ordinance is subject to the approval of the voters at a special municipal election to be conducted in coordination with the state general election on November 6, 2018. On July 10, 2018, the Board of Directors of the West Washington Park Registered Neighborhood Organization passed a motion authorizing this letter of support with 10 Yes votes, 2 No votes, and 0 Abstentions.

West Washington Park Neighborhood Association (WWPNA) is a Registered Neighborhood Organization. Our boundaries are Speer Boulevard to the north, I-25 to the south, Downing Street to the east and Broadway to the west, including approximately 9400 total residences and businesses. Our membership is voluntary and requires an annual dues payment of \$20 per household (\$10.00 if over 65).

**Please include this position statement by WWPNA as part of the official record.**

Sincerely,

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