

September 28, 2017

Distributed via email

Dear CCA Presidents and Directors,

**Re: CCA JOA Clarification**

The purpose of this letter is to clarify critical points regarding the Joint Operating Agreement (JOA) that was approved by the Park Board on April 10, 2017, and offered to Community Centre Association (CCA) Presidents.

It has come to our attention that there may be some misunderstanding of the possibility of reopening the JOA or making changes to the form (the 'body') of the JOA. We appreciate that since the JOA was offered to you, there has been ongoing dialogue between a number of CCAs and staff with respect to outstanding concerns about the JOA and the JOA Appendices.

Although staff and the CCAs have been working diligently to ensure that the JOA Appendices creatively address your issues, through this process we understand that some CCAs have been left with the impression that there will be a change to the body of the JOA.

We would like to be clear that the Park Board voted on the form of Joint Operating Agreement (the 'body' of the JOA). The will of the Park Board was expressed when the JOA was approved on April 10, 2017.

On September 18, 2017, the Park Board Commissioners had a further opportunity to discuss the JOA and ask questions of staff and there was no change in direction to staff at that time. We will not be making any changes to the body of the JOA nor engaging in any discussions or negotiations related to the body of the JOA.

While we wish to acknowledge that there may have been confusion with the flexibility of the deadline, we offer our reassurance that the deadline remains September 30, 2017. If you are contemplating signing the JOA, we encourage you to sign as soon as you are able as there will not be further discussions or negotiations related to the body of the JOA.

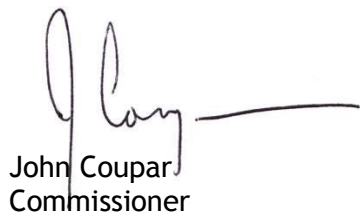
To summarize, the Park Board will not be making any further changes to the body of the JOA. The signing deadline remains September 30, 2017. We believe the JOA offered to the CCAs is a fair agreement developed through a fulsome consultation process. We encourage you to sign the JOA to continue our productive partnership well into the future.

We trust this letter provides you with the information you need, and that this information answers your concerns.

On Behalf of the,  
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