

June 11, 2003

Ms Kim McDoniel
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Internal Audit Division
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Dear Ms. McDoniel:

This is to acknowledge that we have received the Performance Audit report of the Parks and Recreation Department. We concur with the findings and will start immediately to plan implementation of the recommendations.

As you know, this audit follows the adoption of the Parks and Greenways Master Plan. We expect to draw upon the recommendations of both documents as we enter the Results Matter program to provide better services to the general public. We believe that together these efforts will allow the Parks Department to manage its operations in a more efficient and effective manner. We see the audit report as a valuable asset and management tool in our overall objective to improve the park system.

The Parks Department and Park Board will work diligently to implement the recommendations of the report. We are eager to coordinate with other Metro units, such as the E-Government program, to implement certain recommendations involving outside support, and will strive to implement others within the department as soon as possible.

We appreciate the professionalism demonstrated by the auditing staff during the audit and your genuine interest in the Parks Department. We will keep you informed of the status of the implementation of the audit.

Sincerely,

Curt Garrigan,
Interim Director

Lamont Carter,
Chairperson, Metro Park Board