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COMMON COUNCIL

REPORT

December 7, 2004

Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of the Common Council

Re: **Acquisition of Land for Tarrywile Park**

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the acquisition of land for Tarrywile Park met on November 23, 2004 at 5:00 P.M. in the Third Floor Caucus Room in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Nagarsheth, McMahon and Visconti. Also in attendance were Assistant Corporation Counsel Les Pinter, Executive Director of Tarrywile Park Sandra Moy, Chairman of the Tarrywile Park Authority Gerald Daly and Council Members Cavo, Seabury and Teicholz, ex-officio.

Mr. Nagarsheth noted the positive recommendation from the Planning Commission. Mr. Daly stated that there are three parcels in question. Two were purchased with State open space funds and the third was acquired by the City through a tax foreclosure. Bringing these parcels under the Tarrywile Park umbrella would provide basic management by the Park. The total acreage is 85.4. Mr. Daly stated that the proposed Ives Trail would go through these parcels as well.

Mr. Nagarsheth asked about the deed restriction allowing only for passive recreation or open space. Mr. Daly said there is no deed restriction but two of the parcels allow only for passive recreation or open space because of the funds used to purchase the land. He pointed out that the Master Plan states that all properties in the park are to be used for passive recreation.

Mrs. McMahon made a motion to recommend approval of the transfer of land to Tarrywile Park. Seconded by Mr. Visconti. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE McMAHON

SHAY NAGARSHETH, Chairman

FRED VISCONTI