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Cambridge City Councilors
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Dear Councilors,

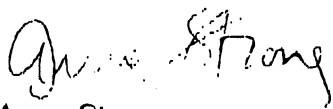
This is to urge you to adopt the motion submitted by Councilor Davis that calls for the Manager to designate a staff person as the leader and "point person" for the City's efforts to increase its supply of equitably accessible open space, particularly for active recreation

Given the urgency of our open-space needs, there should be one staff person for whom open space is his/her chief priority and responsibility — rather than several different staffers or departments, for each of whom it is a lesser priority.

Such a quarterback or point guard (if you will) would also be the single, central hub that all information related to open-space development flows into and out of, both internally and externally — so that everyone can be on the same page, and we utilize people's energy and our other resources most efficiently.

It is wonderful that the City has become concerned about its supply of open space! Translating this support into concrete results, though, requires that the Manager designate a single in-house leader, supported with access, resources and visibility.

Thank you for your consideration.


Anne Strong

Consent Communication #16

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A communication was received from Anne Strong, requesting that the Manager designate a staff person as the leader and point person for the City's efforts to increase its supply of equitably accessible open space, particularly for active recreation.

In City Council October 26, 1998

Referred to
Order #10 on motion
of C. Davis