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Ms. Francis,

I was getting ready to send this email to Mr. Morris since he sent a question from the email you forwarded him. Here is my response to the issue regarding "ceding" land as described in the agreement.

We actually have this topic scheduled for the April DPRAB meeting and have had for about 3 months. No public hearing is required, per the agreement that the City has with the Zoo. The language of the agreement states: *"The Foundation may, from time to time, request additional space within the City Park as is necessary to convenient for the operation or expansion of the Foundations programs or operations. Following review by the DPRAB or any other public process that the Manger may deem appropriate and subject to any terms and conditions imposed, the foundation may utilize additional space in City Park the Manger designates and sets asides, as determined in the Manager's discretion, as being in the public interest for the betterment of the Denver Zoological Gardens."*

Again, no "annexation" is happening as the zoo is within the Park boundaries.

Denver Parks and Recreation prioritizes public safety. When you brought to our attention that the stop signs were removed, I acknowledged your suggestion and we are now taking care of that situation. The design we are presenting will enhance the pedestrian environment, improve traffic flow and return the area that was being used for the Zoo expansion to a better condition than it has been in than past three years.

Denver Parks and Recreation embraces the relationship we have with our many partners who are located within our parks. Their presence enhances the citizen experience and together we all work to protect the investments you've made in this great city.

I hope this helps. Please let me know if you need further information.