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Mr. David Sulkis Planning and Zoning Stamford, CT

Dear Mr. Sulkis:

Neighborhood Groups Who Purchase and Install Park and Playground Equipment Which is Then Turned Over to the City of Stamford

This office is in receipt of your request for an opinion as to whether or not the City of Stamford should indemnify neighborhood groups who purchase and install park and playground equipment and then turn it over to the City.

Please be advised that Section C2-10-2(7) of the Charter empowers the Board of Representatives "to receive gifts of money or property in excess of a value to be determined by the Board from time to time".

Therefore the gift of playground equipment must be approved by the Board of Representatives.

The City Law Department does not recommend that any type of indemnification letter or statement be given to any of these groups.

Yours truly,

John E. Smyth

Assistant Corporation Counsel

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