

October 14, 2015

To: Parks and Environment Committee

Re: PE 7.1 Parks Permit Initiatives

Our Association which is working closely with the Art Gallery of Ontario, the City's PFR Division, the Ward Councillor, various donors and local agencies has embarked on an ambitious revitalization program for Grange Park.

For the past ten years or so, specific requirements were put into place for application for use of this neighbourhood park.

The report before you makes reference to 22 parks – but these are not named – for participation in this program to be managed by the Toronto Arts Council.

We request that Grange Park be exempted from this program and existing criteria continue to be applied..

Our reasons are: (1) Grange Park will be undergoing a revitalization program, and (2) the existing Grange Park permit criteria were developed through an extensive community consultation process and (3) a Grange Park Advisory Committee is in place.

Yours truly,

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For the Grange Community Association

cc Art Gallery of Ontario

attn: Rupert Duchesne, Co-Chair, Grange Park Advisory Committee Councillor Joe Cressy, Co-chair Grange Park Advisory Committee Ralph Daley, President GCA and Co-chair, Grange Park Advisory Committee Max Allen, GCA representation, Grange Park Advisory Committee