

October 11, 2024

Mr. Larry Hoskins
Atlanta Public Schools
Chief of Operations
130 Trinity Ave SW
Atlanta, GA 30303

Dear Mr. Hoskins,

On behalf of the Virginia-Highland Civic Association, I am writing to inform you that our Board of Directors voted 11-0 to “express our support for exploratory conversations between Atlanta Public Schools (APS) and the Virginia-Highland Pool Association regarding the potential development of a swimming pool on the Field of Dreams in Virginia-Highland.”

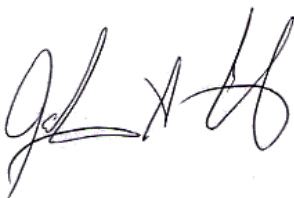
During the discussion prior to our vote, we reached a clear meeting of the minds with Mr. John Closs that this vote is to express support for a conversation, not the project itself. He agreed that he understood the distinction between supporting a conversation and supporting a project, and he assured us that he will make that distinction when speaking with stakeholders.

Mr. Closs agreed to liaise with our Planning Committee chairperson regarding zoning issues; with our Education Committee chairperson regarding discussion with Atlanta Public Schools; and with our Parks Committee chairperson regarding non-pool amenities, so as to minimize duplication of facilities such as playgrounds and athletic fields in the immediate vicinity.

The Civic Association looks forward to reviewing details of the proposed project as they evolve, including site plans, amenities, and financial projections. Only after such a review of the final proposal can we make an informed determination of whether we believe the project is both financially viable and a benefit to the community. Until such time, we have taken no position on whether the Virginia-Highland Pool proposal has met our criteria.

We are happy to provide a copy of our October 7, 2024 meeting minutes at your request.

Sincerely,



John Craft
President, Virginia-Highland Civic Association, Inc.