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Subject: MGCC Letter of Recommendation Re: Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Draft Policy - April 30, 2023

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Good Evening,

Please see the attached letter of recommendation from the Macalester-Groveland Community Council regarding the Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Policy and containing the following resolution:

** The Housing and Land Use Committee of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council is concerned with the lack of public outreach on an important matter of public safety and finances, and does not believe that we can take an informed position on the SPPD implementation of a drone program without a more robust outreach program from both SPPD and the City of Saint Paul. MGCC requests additional information regarding concerns raised about the public outreach process, the funding source and budget for this program, and the potential need for the creation of a Citizens Advisory Board. <u>Unless these concerns</u> <u>are addressed, MGCC cannot offer a recommendation for approval of this policy as written.</u> **

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Alexa

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April 29, 2023

Saint Paul Police Department City of Saint Paul VIA EMAIL

Dear Chief Henry:

On Wednesday, April 26th, 2023 the Housing and Land Use Committee ("HLU") of the Macalester Groveland Community Council ("MGCC") held a public eMeeting via Zoom, at which it considered the draft policy for Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS).

After considering neighborhood and committee feedback and assessing the draft policy, the Housing and Land Use Committee passed the following resolution unanimously by a final vote of 10-0:

** The Housing and Land Use Committee of the Macalester-Groveland Community Council is concerned with the lack of public outreach on an important matter of public safety and finances, and does not believe that we can take an informed position on the SPPD implementation of a drone program without a more robust outreach program from both SPPD and the City of Saint Paul. MGCC requests additional information regarding concerns raised about the public outreach process, the funding source and budget for this program, and the potential need for the creation of a Citizens Advisory Board. <u>Unless these concerns are</u> <u>addressed, MGCC cannot offer a recommendation for approval of this policy as written</u>. **

If you have questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Alexa Solemo

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cc (via email): Ward 3, City of Saint Paul Ward 4, City of Saint Paul