



HMONG 18 COUNCIL, INC.

June 21, 2022

To: Kristin Koziol & Councilmen Dai Thao
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From: Hmong 18 Council, Inc.
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On behalf of the Hmong 18 Council, Inc., I wanted to express my sincere thanks for your email dated June 16, 2022, inviting H18C's representatives to participate and join the City of Saint Paul Council's meeting at 3:30pm (6/22/22) regarding the Phalen Regional Park China Garden resolution.

The Board of Directors of the Hmong 18 Council met on Monday, June 20th, voted and passed a motion in support of your resolution for "seeking robust community process and representative engagement for Phase II of Phalen Regional Park China Garden." Thus, H18C's representatives will not be able to participate in the City Council's meeting as requested, I hope that the City's resolution will bring a broadly diverse community advisory council to guide Phase II of the Phalen Regional Park China Garden project, as well as show its commitment to diversity and inclusion on its board and committee composition.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at paulxiong@hmong18council.org or phone at (651) 487-8070.

Sincerely,

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