

# City of Memphis



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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

March 17, 2010

Ms. Naomi Van Tol, President  
Citizens to Preserve Overton Park  
618 South Cox  
Memphis, Tennessee 38104

Dear Ms. Van Tol:

Thank you for your letter of March 12, 2010. When we met with you on February 25, 2010, I was not aware of a fiscal note to Senate Bill 2415. I did assume that there would be some cost associated with a change in the designation for portions of Overton Park, and that such costs, whether to the state or city, would be reflected in a fiscal note to the bill. These fiscal notes are generated in the normal course of business and reflect the best information available at the time. Sometimes we do make mistakes. I apologize for any confusion in this instance.

I will ask our Parks Division to reassess those costs which may be incurred by the city and share that information with all known interested parties. I will also ask that we not submit any changes in the fiscal note until all have agreed as to the accuracy.

In the meantime, I will continue to encourage a permanent solution to preserving the integrity of Overton Park that is locally based. I hope that we can work towards making that happen in parallel with other initiatives such as SB2415. Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "George M. Little".

George M. Little  
Chief Administrative Officer

cc: A C Wharton Jr., Mayor  
Beverly Marrero, State Senator  
Jeanne Richardson, State Representative  
Cynthia Buchanan, Director of Park Services  
Wain Gaskins, Director of Engineering  
TaJuan Stout-Mitchell, Legislative Liaison