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You, and our community, waited far too long for resolution in this matter. For me, blame was clearly misplaced in this case, and I fear that compounded the pain for you and many others.

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In addition, to honor Otto's memory, I will recommend to the Park Board that a pavilion for Otto and place a plaque stating that the pavilion is offered: "In Memory of Otto Zehm."

Again, please accept our profound apologies for the loss of your son.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Dan Cameron".

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June 4, 2012

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Sincerely,

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David A. Condon
Mayor

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