

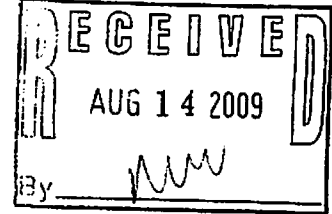


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Mayor A.J. Holloway
City of Biloxi
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Mayor Holloway,

I'm writing to you after seeing reports in the Sun Herald regarding the controversy over the recreational equipment in east Biloxi.


I was disheartened to see this denigrate into charges of racism, which I feel it is certainly not. I have known you for too long and we have accomplished too much together for me to ever believe such a charge. I understand your position that the city parks in east Biloxi already have recreational equipment.

However, I am writing to ask if the Biloxi Housing Authority could take advantage of the proposition in which Boomtown would provide funding for playground equipment. In the HOPE VI subdivision at Bayou August, we were fortunate to have the volunteer organization KaBoom! Construct a playground on the northern portion of the subdivision, but we currently have no playground equipment on the south side of the HOPE VI subdivision.

The difference between this playground equipment being placed here as opposed to anywhere else in east Biloxi is that we have a concentration of residents who have children who would certainly use the equipment. It would be directly in their neighborhood.

I hope that you and the city will look favorably upon this request.

Sincerely,


Delmar P. Robinson
Chairman of the Board
Biloxi Housing Authority