PROPOSED CONDITIONS FOR JACOBS FIELD USE

1. Jacobs Field can be used by the university for intercollegiate athletic events, university club sports, university Greek life sports, university intramural sporting events, university related athletic activities (such as ROTC training and informal athletics events), and sporting camps sponsored by the university. All other uses of Jacobs Field are deemed to be “special events” which are defined and outlined in Condition No. 14 below.

2. The university shall maintain key access gates between Jacobs Field and University Avenue. These gates shall be available only to neighbors to enter and exit university grounds. University personnel and students may not use the gates to exit or enter university property.

3. No roads or parking lots shall be permitted in the area between Jacobs Field and the property line abutting neighboring properties to the west of Jacobs Field.

4. The university shall maintain the existing landscape buffering between Jacobs Field and the property line adjacent to the neighboring properties to the west of Jacobs Field.

5. The university shall maintain the existing 6 and 7 feet tall fence adjacent to neighboring properties to the west of Jacobs Field.

6. Jacobs Field shall not be illuminated for evening/night uses.

7. The university shall limit activity on Jacobs Field to the hours between dawn and dusk.

8. Amplified sound on Jacobs Field shall be permitted only for intercollegiate athletic events and for limited special events (as discussed in Condition No. 14). The university will explore alternative sound systems on Jacobs Field in order to more evenly distribute sound at the ground level. Athletic team practices, intramural sporting events, university club sports, and university Greek life sports shall not use amplified sound.

9. Athletics Department staff shall monitor sound levels during athletic events with amplified sound. Athletics staff shall use decibel meters and take three readings per event: one during pre-game activities and two during the event. If decibel meters indicate sound levels above 60 decibels, then athletics staff will lower the volume of the amplified sound.

10. The university shall maintain records of all sound level readings taken at each event during which amplified sound is used. These records shall be provided to athletic team head coaches, to administrators of sports that compete on Jacobs Field, to the Director of AU Community Relations, and to the Neighborhood Liaison Committee or other community groups as identified.

11. The University shall provide neighboring property owners with telephone numbers to reach appropriate representatives of its Public Safety Department, Community Relations, or the Dean of Students Office to address concerns regarding noise on Jacobs Field.

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12. Athletics schedules are posted and publicly available via the university website. The university shall use its best efforts via written, fax, email, and the university’s community relations website to publicize the schedules for athletic events scheduled for Jacobs Field at the beginning of the academic year. For athletic events scheduled less than 30 days ahead of time, the university shall make all reasonable efforts to publicize the athletic events as soon as possible.

13. The university shall review and augment, if necessary, noise guidelines for using Jacobs Field. The noise guidelines shall be provided to the appropriate Athletics Department, Campus Life, Greek Life, and Club Sports representatives.

14. To the extent that Jacobs Field is used for special events (those events that are not university related athletic events), such as graduation, homecoming, picnics, receptions, or charitable events (such as the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation’s annual Real Estate Games), or exhibitions, these special events shall be conditioned as follows:

(a) Number of events: The number of special events requiring sound amplification shall be limited to 12 per calendar year, unless an additional number is approved. The university shall provide neighboring property owners with telephone numbers to reach appropriate representatives of its Public Safety Department, Community Relations, or the Office of the Dean of Students, to address concerns regarding noise and activity on Jacobs Field.

(b) Notice: The university shall use its best efforts to provide written, fax, or e-mail notice of special events - as far in advance as possible, but at least 30 days prior to an event - to residents in the vicinity of Jacobs Field, to residents on Woodway Lane and University Avenue, and to any other residents who request notice or whose names are supplied to the university. Events not requiring notice include: intercollegiate athletic events, university club sporting events, university Greek life sporting events, intramural sports events, informal athletic events, university related athletic activities (such as ROTC training), and sporting events and sporting camps sponsored by the university.

(c) The university shall use its best efforts to avoid scheduling a special event for a date on which a neighbor has informed the university in advance that the neighbor is planning a party or other important occasion.

(d) Guidelines: The university shall use its best efforts to observe the following guidelines relating to special events on Jacobs Field:

(i) Special events will be conducted between the hours of 8:00 am and dusk.

(ii) Amplified sound for special events on Jacobs Field shall be permitted only with permission from the Office of Student Activities. Sound amplification produced by public address systems, loudspeakers, bullhorns, musical amplifiers, or other similar devices for the intensification of sound shall not be permitted to unreasonably interfere
with or disturb neighbors' enjoyment of their property or with the university's academic or administrative activities, consistent with the university's Sound Amplification Policy.

(iii) Vehicles essential for servicing the special events may park in the western parking area closest to Jacobs Field, but only if other parking locations are not feasible and in no event shall service vehicles park next to adjacent residences.

(iv) If an unauthorized special event (an event not scheduled by the university) occurs, neighbors may contact the designated university staff contact person.

(v) Noise guidelines shall be provided to, and made part of, any arrangement between the university and the organization sponsoring the special event or the department or student group sponsoring the special event.