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Mr. Richard Ubbens  
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November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Re: Request to open Dufferin Grove Park artificial ice rink on November 17th**

Dear Mr. Ubbens,

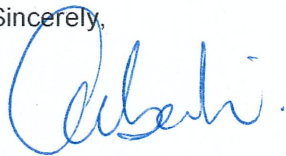
I am writing to request that Parks staff turn on the compressor at Dufferin Grove Park so that on-site recreation staff can commence rink programming on November 17<sup>th</sup>.

At its February 2009 session, Council passed item CD22.6 to open certain City-owned outdoor ice rinks open at the same time as Nathan Phillips Square. Dufferin Grove Park's outdoor AIR opened on November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2009 - two Saturdays prior to the start of December. I was told both by James Dann and Jutta Mason that Dufferin Grove Park was exceptional in its ability to make good ice during this early opening pilot project, due to its relatively new, high output compressors.

In light of the considerations noted above, I am requesting that you direct Parks Staff to turn on the compressors at Dufferin Grove Park as soon as possible so that the season may begin on November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012 – two Saturdays prior to the start of December, same as 2009. The extra week of operating costs could then be mitigated by reducing the length of the season by one week on the back end so that there is no net cost increase to carry out this request.

Please respond to my request, in writing, as soon as possible. If any further information is required, please contact my office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ana Bailão". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Ana Bailão  
City Councillor  
Ward 18, Davenport

Cc: Jutta Mason  
Cc: James Dann