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Please see the attached request for a legal opinion from Dennis Mahoney, the Co-Chair of the Parks & Recreation Committee.

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Following up on our Parks and Recreation Meeting last month, it seems the consensus of the committee is it would like Corporate Counsel to outline the powers and authority the Board of Representatives has as it relates to oversight, approvals and direction, based on the charter and the code of ordinances, over the new policy outlined by the mayor regarding the Parks Police. Specifically, but not exclusively, we would like to know how, if it chose to do so, the BOR could ensure the budgeting and administrative oversight remains in the Operations Department rather than be shifted to the Police Department. While the BOR maintains budgetary authority in that it has the ability to cut spending, we would like Corporate Counsel to outline the variety of ways the BOR can exercise its power as we move forward toward bringing this issue to its conclusion.