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To: Madam Chair and Honorable Supervisors

cc: County Clerk Czarnecki

From: Paul Bargren *PB*  
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Re: Matter referred to Corporation Counsel

At its meeting of June 25, 2015, the County Board considered File 15-339, a resolution authorizing the development of a new facility and additional improvements for the Cudahy Sportsmen's Club in Warnimont Park. Under the Board's minority rules, the file was referred to my Office for information on whether any restrictions were been placed on use of Warnimont Park when it was acquired by the County.

The County acquired about 90 acres comprising the northern portion of the park in 1950 from the Patrick Cudahy Family Company, for about \$135,000. The Cudahy group provided a standard warranty deed. (Vol. 2808 Page 443). There were no restrictions on use included in the deed.

The County assembled the southern portion of the park in a series of small transactions in the 1940s, 50s and 60s, apparently acquiring parcels from individual owners as they became available. These were also standard warranty deeds, with no indications of restrictions on use. In 1955, the County leased about 25 acres to the US government for a Nike missile site. That lease apparently expired in about 1965.

In sum, there are no restrictions on the County's use of land acquired for Warnimont park that would affect gun club issues.