From: Stan Moll shm99516@yahoo.com

Subject: Re: Johns Park Stairs
Date: April 11, 2017 at 11:52 PM

To: Jess Rude Jess@anchorageparkfoundation.org

Cc: Beth Nordlund beth@anchorageparkfoundation.org, Steve Beardsley beardsleysn@ak.net

Dear Jess;

Thank you very much for your consideration of my proposed project in Johns Park. I appreciate your kind words and thoughtful commentary.

Frankly, your news is, overall, a good sign for Anchorage and our public lands. The popular response to your challenge grant illustrates the desire people have for proper, thoughtful stewardship of common spaces and the diversity of demands people make of those spaces. Your guidance and the generous support of the Rasmussen Foundation and others are deeply appreciated by those of us who want to live in wholesome communities.

I am currently traveling but upon my return in late April I will get with the community council, and together we will figure out a way, with your advice, to make this project a reality.

Thank you very much for the opportunity and the consideration. Best regards

Stan

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sent from my iPhone

On Apr 11, 2017, at 3:45 AM, Jess Rude < <u>Jess@anchorageparkfoundation.org</u> > wrote:

Dear Stanton.

I just left you a voicemail to say...

Thank you for your interest in the Anchorage Park Foundation and your submission to our challenge grant program. We have reviewed your thoughtful proposal for stairs at Johns Park. Unfortunately, we cannot offer support for a challenge grant at this time.

We received overwhelming interest in challenge grants this funding cycle, and your project was one of many quality proposals submitted. The Board of Directors was faced with the extremely difficult task of determining which projects to support, and approved funding for projects which matched our grant criteria most closely.

Please do not let this news deter you from your valuable project! Feedback from the Board, staff and Parks & Recreation leadership was that this was a great project. We'd like to greenlight this through other funding sources and have our Youth Employment in Parks teens help make this trail reality. Let's talk!

Warmly, Jess