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Neighborhood Groups To Speak on Threat to Healy Murphy Park

San Antonio, TX (February 11, 2009) Friends of Healy Murphy Park will make their voices heard regarding the sale of their neighborhood pocket park at a Community Hearing scheduled by the Parks and Recreation Department on **Thursday, February 12th at 6pm at the Carver Community Cultural Center** located at 226 N. Hackberry St.

Concerned neighbors and groups will express to the City that they want this piece of green maintained and saved - not neglected and put on the auction block.

The City Council's Quality of Life Committee is considering selling the pocket park and the adjacent historic Dulnig House to make way for hotel development. Numerous organizations, governmental agencies and non-profit organizations oppose the sale since the park has redeeming historic, social and cultural value.

Organizations to be represented include, but are not limited to:

- The San Antonio Conservation Society
- Friends of the Parks
- Dignowity Hill Neighborhood Association
- The Salvation Army San Antonio Area Command

Representatives from the above organizations will be available for interviews after the community hearing.

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