



### NOTICE REGARDING PARK'S FOUNTAIN

A few members of our community have raised a question as to the type of chemicals used to treat the fountain in the 13th Street Community Park and Garden. We take these concerns seriously, because we have pets and children who play in the park too.

Please note the following:

1. The water in the fountain is treated with Protec and Fountec, which are manufactured by the McGrayel Company. These treatments are used in fountains and water features in a great many parks to control harmful algae, other bacteria, and mineral deposits that, over time, can compromise the operation and experience of the fountain. When used according to the instructions, they are listed as non-toxic, environmentally friendly, and safe for contact (see information below from McGrayel).
2. The fountain is an architectural element of the park. It is not a drinking fountain. It is not part of "spray park," with which anyone is intended to have more than casual contact.

Certainly, every person must decide the extent to which they will expose their children, pets, or themselves to the types of chemicals needed to treat fountains, swimming pools, and the like.

Our goal is to make sure everyone in the community can enjoy all of the features of the park, including the peaceful sounds and sights of moving water and bathing birds in this fountain.

Further information regarding the chemicals is provided below from the [www.mcgrayel.com](http://www.mcgrayel.com) website:

#### Fountec® Features

- Powerful green algae remover
- Eradicates yellow and black algae too
- Removes and kills clinging or stubborn type algae with minimal brushing
- Water clarifiers leaves water ultra-clear
- Non-foaming and non-staining
- No weekly chlorine or testing required
- Prevents regrowth with small weekly dose
- Safe for plants, birds, and animals to drink treated water - but not safe for fish

#### Protec® Features

- Prevents and removes scale buildup
- Control water metals and prevents surface stains
- Protec protects fountain water pump.
- Eliminates distilled water usage.
- Small monthly dosage.
- Non-acidic and enviro-safe.
- Treated water safe for birds, plants, animals, and fish.