Mr. Howard S. Lazarus  
City Administrator  
City of Ann Arbor  
301 Huron Street  
Ann Arbor, MI 48107

Dear Mr. Lazarus:

On behalf of the University of Michigan, I am providing a favorable response to the request of the City of Ann Arbor to include certain university properties (as specified below) in the city’s deer management program for 2017. I do so under the following general conditions:

- The U-M Division of Public Safety and Security will need to authorize a limited waiver to the Regents’ Ordinance regarding firearms to permit the possession, use and discharge of firearms on U-M property as necessary to carry out the otherwise-approved activity.

- The university will be provided a copy of the contract between the city and the contractor(s) it selects to perform the lethal and non-lethal deer cull activities.

- The university shall be named as an additional insured on any insurance coverage required to be carried by the contractor(s) and the university must have indemnification protection either by being named a third party beneficiary to the contracts between the city and the contractor(s) or entering into separate agreements between the university and the contractor(s), at the university’s option (based to the university’s review of the contract(s)).

- The university shall be provided a copy of the application and the permit received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) for the city to conduct its deer management practices.

- For purposes of compliance with MDNR restrictions, the university will allow this letter to provide an indication of university approval to waive the 450-foot restriction from the caretaker cottage and maintenance building within the Arboretum, the North Campus Auxiliary support building and NC Grounds Services buildings.
- Lethal cull methods utilizing firearms shall be limited to the following university controlled properties generally described as:
  
  o Nichols Arboretum.
  o Acreage between the Huron River and railroad, south of Fuller-Mitchell fields.
  o Acreage south of Glazier Way and east of Fuller Road.
  o Acreage south of Hubbard and west of Huron Parkway.

- The U-M Division of Public Safety and Security shall be provided adequate notification (72 hours) before any culling activities planned on or adjacent to university property.

- University property selected for inclusion in any lethal cull activities shall be identified as closed to the public from 4pm until 7am Monday afternoon through Friday morning for no more than one week at a time.

- The university should be provided sufficient signage to properly post and provide notice of anticipated activities.

- Following consultation, the university would consider the city’s non-lethal management approach on other North Campus property, only if the activity takes place during the university’s mid-winter break of February 25 through March 5, and if the city’s contractor is accompanied by a Division of Public Safety and Security officer.

We would of course, expect to work closely with City communications personnel to properly advise university constituents of anticipated deer management activities.

Be further advised that the university is prepared to financially contribute toward the direct cost of the employed lethal and non-lethal methodologies at a proportion of approximately 15 percent of the total cost, not to exceed $25,000, which approximates the percentage of university property within Wards 1 & 2 of the city.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

cc: Tim Lynch
    Robert Neumann
    Christopher Taylor
    Eddie Washington