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SUBJECT: Duluth Parks and Recreation Final Master Plan Review Meeting

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Duluth Parks and Recreation Final Master Plan Review Meeting

The public is invited to attend an open house meeting on Wednesday, November 10th from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM at Washington Center, 310 N 1st Avenue West to review the Park Master Plan and provide feedback.

Key elements of the Master Plan are to:

- improve the quality of existing parks (especially neighborhood parks),
- focus on connecting the community through trails and bikeways,
- have fewer, but higher quality recreation buildings,
- enhance stewardship of natural resources,
- expand partnerships with schools for community recreation and gathering.
- increase use and recognition of volunteers and volunteer groups, and
 - create stable and sustainable funding sources to improve the park system.

The Parks Master Plan is available for review and comment on-line at www.duluthmn.gov/parks/master plan.cfm Comments from the open house meeting will be used to shape the final Parks and Recreation Master Plan which will go to the Duluth City Council in December.

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