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Council Adopts Recreation, Parks and Open Space Master Plan for Mountlake Terrace

MOUNTLAKE TERRACE—At their June 15 meeting, the City Council adopted the City's Recreation, Parks and Open Space Master Plan following an extensive public involvement and data gathering process that began in 2007.

The plan identifies policy guidelines, priority projects and funding sources that reflect the city's vision for a recreation, parks and open space system over the next 20 years.

Public participation was encouraged in a number of ways including focus group and stakeholder meetings, a visioning workshop, a community survey for adults and teens, a recreation user group questionnaire, and other outreach efforts such as public information displays at various community events held throughout the year.

A number of key recommendations have emerged from the plan, including an opportunity based property acquisition policy for potential park sites, expansion of signage and public information materials about the park system, and protection of the community's natural environment and facility investments. Other recommendations include redevelopment of the Evergreen Park and Recreation Pavilion Complex, expanded partnerships opportunities with the Edmonds School District for additional local park access and potential improvements to sport fields for community use. Improving existing City sport

fields, neighborhood parks, playgrounds and trails, along with constructing new parks within the future Town Center Square and Civic Center Campus were also recommended.

The Recreation Parks and Open Space Plan will be included as part of the city's annual Comprehensive Plan Amendments, scheduled for adoption in December.

More information is available from City's Recreation and Parks Director Don Sarcletti at (425) 640-3104 or click "How do I...Find Rec/Parks Master Plan Info?" on the city's website, www.cityofmlt.com.

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