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Parks master plan seeks public comment at meeting Priorities and preferences to be discussed on March 23

LITTLE ELM (March 11, 2015) Residents with an interest in helping determine the overall direction of the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Master Plan are cordially invited to a Town Hall Meeting set for Monday, March 23, says Chad Hyde, Parks and Recreation Director.

"We've adopted a process of developing the master plan with as much resident input as possible," he said. "After all, residents will be the ones making use of the facilities, participating in the programs and benefitting from the plan's contents."

The meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 23 at the Little Elm Recreation Center, 303 Main Street from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Participants will get an opportunity to provide input on their preferences related to parks, recreational programs for kids and adults, and how the Town manages its open spaces.

"The master plan is being designed as a living document, but will look at the next 5 to 10 years," he said. "Anyone and everyone with an interest in park development and recreation programs has an excellent opportunity to have an influence on what the future will look like."

In addition to the discussion, the staff will share identified priority areas and proposed action plans for new parks and recreational facilities contemplated for the Town.

"Attendees of the March 23 session will be exposed to the wide variety of opinions and preferences that have been expressed by their neighbors," he added. "Our intent is to see what the Town's needs and wants are regarding parks and recreation programs as well as what people think about the Town's open spaces."

Discussions over the last several months have centered on recreation programs, indoor facilities, park facilities, playgrounds, pavilions, open spaces, trails, athletics, special events and special use facilities.

For more information residents can contact Parks and Recreation at (972) 731-3296.

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ABOUT LITTLE ELM – Little Elm is one of the state's fastest growing communities. Nestled on the shores of Lake Lewisville, the Town was incorporated in 1966, adopting the Council/Manager form of government. The population increased dramatically over the last several years, growing from under 4,000 in 2000 to over 30,000 today. Little Elm's population exceeds the state average in education and income, and is increasingly trending younger and technologically proficient. The Town's footprint is just over 14 square miles and boasts some 66 linear miles of shoreline within its boundaries.