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Town Seeks Community Input for Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Vienna residents are invited to share their thoughts on what the Town's future parks and recreation system looks like during an interactive community meeting on Thursday, May 16, 2024, from 6-8 p.m. at the Vienna Community Center, 120 Cherry Street, SE. The community feedback will help inform the next Parks and Recreation Master Plan, "Our Plan to Play."

"Participants should come prepared to share their ideas and provide their perspectives through various independent and small-group planning exercises," said Parks and Recreation Director Leslie Herman. "Our goal is to understand how residents currently use the Town's parks and recreation offerings, what works well, what needs improvement, and what priorities they want to see in the future."

The meeting will begin with a brief overview of the planning process and information on the state of the Town's parks and recreation offerings. Then participants will be invited to ask questions and share their ideas with staff and the Town's planning consultants stationed at various tables in the Community Center. The feedback will provide crucial insights that will shape the development of a long-term roadmap and investment strategy for the Department of Parks and Recreation.

The community meeting is one component of a broader outreach strategy to gather input for "Our Plan to Play." Other tactics include a statistically valid, random-sample survey of residents, and an open survey of all park users later this spring. Community organizations that frequently partner with the Town of Vienna will also be contacted for input.

For more information about "Our Plan to Play," visit: www.viennava.gov/plantoplay or call the Vienna Department of Parks & Recreation at 703-255-6360 or email parksrec@viennava.gov.

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