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Update on Civic Center Campus Master Plan

Dear Civic Center Campus Neighbors:

Thanks to all of you who have attended meetings to update the City of Minnetonka's Civic Center Campus master plan. I wanted to let you know that City Council consideration of the plan, which was originally set for this fall, has been postponed until early next year. The reason is our project consultant, who gathered all the feedback and prepared the plan, is on a leave of absence and will not be available until that time.

In the meantime, please visit our website at www.eminnetonkaparksrenewal.com to view the proposed plan developed over the past year from input from area neighbors, user groups and Minnetonka Park Board.

The various park and parking lot improvements will not take place until the master plan is finalized, and would not occur before 2005 at the earliest. The water system improvements now underway will continue with replacement of the water treatment facility to a site southwest of its current location. Construction may begin as soon as this winter, and once the new facility is operational, the existing building will be removed.

You might have noticed that playground equipment was removed this summer in anticipation of the water system improvements. We apologize for any inconvenience this might have caused, and plan to reinstall play equipment this fall from our inventory. When the master plan is implemented, this temporary equipment will be replaced.

If you have any questions or concerns, I'd be most happy to discuss them with you. Please contact me at gbarone@eminnetonka.com or (952) 939-8216.

Sincerely,



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Director of Administrative Services