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## Community input sought on for Parks and Recreation Master Plan

**MT. PLEASANT, Mich., Feb. 13, 2015** – Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation is seeking input from residents and community members regarding the future of parks and recreation in the City of Mt. Pleasant. Citizens can share their input and ideas through a survey or by attending the open house.

First, citizens can take a 10 to 15 minute online survey, now until March 10. Additionally, the City is hosting a community input open house from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 24. The open house will be hosted in Council Chambers at City Hall, 320 W. Broadway. This event is open to the public and everyone is encouraged to visit and participate.

“We want to hear from Mt. Pleasant citizens who use our parks and have something to say about our future direction. The City Commission believes input from the community will be a critical factor to the success of this planning effort,” said Director of Parks and Public Spaces Chris Bundy. “Visitors are encouraged to stop by for 10 to 15 minutes to learn about the City’s parks, view maps and share their ideas. City staff, officials and facilitators will be available to discuss and meet with residents.”

The City of Mt. Pleasant is working to update its five-year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The foundation for the development of the Mt. Pleasant Parks and Recreation Master Plan will be based on the following goals:

- Involve the community in the process to develop a five-year plan;
- Identify and map existing City recreational facilities;
- Build common ground among Mt. Pleasant stakeholders in addressing the future recreational needs and priorities of the City;
- Enable the City to be eligible for financial assistance based upon the plan;
- Facilitate interagency collaboration in establishing recreation goals, objectives, and actions, and;
- Support the implementation of improvements for barrier-free, Universal Access to City parks and recreational sites.

Once a draft is completed, the master plan will be available to the public for review and comment prior to any action related to adoption. The City expects the updated plan to be completed by March 20, 2015. For more information about the parks and recreation master plan see [our website](#) or contact Chris Bundy, Director of Parks and Public Spaces, at [cbundy@mt-pleasant.org](mailto:cbundy@mt-pleasant.org) or (989) 779-5328. Don’t forget to “like” the [City of Mt. Pleasant Parks & Recreation](#) on Facebook to stay informed on the latest news.

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