

## **Community Engagement Project**

### **Update the 2001 District Master Plan**

This project was started in 2012. A community-wide survey was conducted and information pertaining to the District's parks and preferences was gathered. The Board directed staff to perform further community involvement outreach to validate the information gained from the survey. Park Advisory Committees were established in 2016 as a means of acquiring community input on each of the District's seven parks. Board members were assigned to be District liaisons to the communities surrounding the parks. In 2016 two community meetings were held in each of the District's parks to determine the community's needs for each of the parks. In 2017, 2018 and 2019 community meetings were held in each park to discuss the progress being made on the master plan update. In February of 2019 a community meeting was held to review the draft master plan and receive comments for inclusion or modification to the plan. On April 18, 2019 the Board held a community meeting to receive further comments. The District Master Plan was officially approved and adopted at the conclusion of that meeting.

During the Master Plan Update process, meeting notices were posted in each of the parks, two weeks prior to the meetings. The Park Advisory Committee members, residents that signed up for notices pertaining to their park, received email invitations to the meetings. The approved 2019 Master Plan directly reflects the input received from the community. The District is extremely proud of the 2019 Master Plan and the amount of community involvement it represents.

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