

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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Community encouraged to provide input on 2017 Development Plan, Gap Analysis, Long-term Acquisition Strategies and learn about upcoming improvements for Cal Anderson Park

Seattle Parks and Recreation (SPR) invites the community to provide input on SPR's 2017 Development Plan, Gap Analysis and Long-term Acquisition strategies for open space on Saturday, Feb 4, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at The Royal Room (5000 Rainier Ave S) during a Housing Affordability and Livability (HALA) Open House.

This open house is being held in conjunction with other City departments and provides an opportunity for the community to learn about SPR's walkability mapping and to give input on priorities for long-term open space acquisition goals. SPR will also present the schematic design for the <a href="Brighton Playfield">Brighton Playfield</a> renovation project.

The 2017 Development Plan is a 6-year plan that documents and describes SPR facilities and lands, looks at Seattle's changing demographics, and lays out a vision for the future. A goal in the Seattle 2035 Comprehensive Plan is to consider access to our parks by transit, bicycle, and on foot when acquiring, siting and designing new park facilities or improving existing ones. SPR manages approximately 11% of the City's land area, and is proposing a new mapping approach based upon walkability to inform the City's long-term acquisition strategies for future open space.

For more information on other Housing Affordability and Livability(HALA) community events and to see which City departments will be attending, please visit <a href="http://www.seattle.gov/hala/calendar">http://www.seattle.gov/hala/calendar</a>.

For more information about our development plan please visit <a href="http://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/policies-and-plans/2017-development-plan">http://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/policies-and-plans/2017-development-plan</a> or contact Susanne Rockwell, Project Manager at <a href="mailto:Susanne.rockwell@seattle.gov">Susanne.rockwell@seattle.gov</a> or 206-684-7133, or <a href="mailto:2017DevPlan@seattle.gov">2017DevPlan@seattle.gov</a>

For more information about Brighton Playfield renovation please visit <a href="http://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/brighton-playfield-renovation">http://www.seattle.gov/parks/about-us/current-projects/brighton-playfield-renovation</a> or contact Jay Rood, Project Manager at <a href="mailto:jay.rood@seattle.gov">jay.rood@seattle.gov</a> or 206-733-9194.

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