



MEDIA ALERT

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HOUSTON PARKS DEPARTMENT WILL HOST MASTER PLAN MEETINGS IN COUNCIL DISTRICTS C, D AND I

WHAT: *A Parks master plan community meeting will be held in council districts C, D and I to outline parks and facilities development in the Houston area.*

WHEN: **Council District C**
Monday, April 23, 2007, at 6:30 p.m.
Marian Park Community Center, located at 11101 South Gessner

Council District D
Wednesday, April 25, 2007, at 6:30 p.m.
Judson Robinson Jr. Community Center, located at 2020 Hermann Drive

Council District I
Thursday, April 26, 2007, at 6:30 p.m.
Mason Park Community Center, located at 541 South 75th

WHO: **Council Member Anne Clutterbuck, District C; Council Member Ada Edwards; District D; Council Member Carol Alvarado, District I; Houston Parks and Recreation Department representatives; and Richard McNamara, Clark Condon and Associates, will attend and offer remarks. Council Members will attend their district meeting, respectively.**

NOTES: The 2007 Houston Parks Master Plan Update will entail a multilevel public outreach campaign and review process before its adoption by City Council in December 2007. Public forums will be held in all council districts to ascertain the needs of the community. The information gained from the public forums, special focus group meetings and random telephone sampling will be integrated into the updated master plan. The final step of the process will entail public presentations and Council review.

Once it is adopted, the updated parks master plan will be submitted to the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD). TPWD requires master plan updates every five years to be eligible for state grants. Houston City Council adopted the Parks Department's last master plan in 2001.