



Master Plan Project: **City of Bremen Parks and Recreation Department**

Community Members:

Right before Christmas, after months of preparation, bid meetings and review processes, the City of Bremen, on behalf of the Bremen Parks and Recreation Department, entered into an agreement with LOSE to design a Master Plan for our Recreation Facilities and Parks.

Many of you might have noticed surveyors around these areas making marks on the pavement and little white flags hanging from trees. This is the beginning phases of this Master Plan as they are surveying and topographic mapping all of the Recreation Parks and land pursuant to developing recreational facilities. Along with several other steps needing to be accomplished, the Master Plan will take several months to procure. Timelines are a little altered due to COVID-19 management and resources. In those steps, they will be surveying and mapping properties, doing demographic research and surveys, public meetings, renderings and phase schedules for possible projects.

With all that said, we have to start somewhere. We know growth is happening in the City of Bremen and this is one step, among many, to see where we can grow and how we need to manage that influx. These studies will also discern our needs to separate them from our wants. Can all projects laid out before us get done immediately? No, but is it a blueprint for us to better serve our community for future patrons, young and adult alike? Yes. Nothing has been set in stone to say “this is what we are doing here,” and “over here were going to build this,” this is a conceptual process of showing us feasibility and possibilities.

As mentioned, several criteria will go into the conceptual drawings and renderings done for our park properties, beginning with an open house forum for you to meet the LOSE team to ask general questions about the Master Plan process and for them to get feedback from you. We have tried to schedule this meet and greet during program times to better serve you while many will already be in the park. This quick and informal open house will take place on **Thursday, February 25th from 6pm-8pm** at the Recreation Gymnasium. We invite you and your family to attend as your input is an invaluable resource when developing such items. To follow the open house, we have also decided to do a statistically valid survey which will come as mailers to City Residents. Once that information is available, we will be reaching back out to notify you to be on the lookout.

We are very excited to be conducting this vital service for the City of Bremen and our Recreation Department, as it will hopefully best serve you and your family for years to come.

Sincerely,

Matthew Cody, CYSA, Director