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Subj: Rabbit Park, 17440 Rabbit Street NW

Dear Resident,

The purpose of this correspondence is to welcome your input on the future of Rabbit Park in your neighborhood. Last Fall, City Council adopted a Playground Replacement Policy (as recommended by the Park & Recreation Commission), which rates the playgrounds in order of their condition and age, and priority for replacement. Rabbit Park's play equipment is at the top of this list, and may receive replacement in some fashion as soon as the Spring/Summer of 2022.

The aforementioned policy also specifies that in the instance of neighborhood parks (in contrast to large community parks), that households within 1,500' feet walking distance are to be asked what they would like to see in terms of the playground's replacement—meaning that some persons may want a particular type of play components; others may want to see creative nature-based play features, some native habitat/landscape in lieu of play equipment, others a different type of recreation opportunity than a playground, and some neighbors may want little or no reinvestment in the park after play equipment removal.

To reiterate, the Park & Recreation Commission wanted to remain open to hearing what your desires or requests may be for Rabbit Park, without making any presumptions on what you envision, nor issuing a 'check list' or menu of possibilities as an example. We want any and all of your ideas for the park! All feedback will be forwarded to the Commission, which is expected to develop a work plan in February/March for Rabbit Park in 2022. Additionally, it may be

noted that the swing was removed this past Fall at the park due to the decay of the wood support posts, and the other play equipment at the park should be removed due to its poor condition—but the separate, very large stainless-steel slide may remain.

The results of the invitation to comment and submit ideas are expected to be on the Park & Recreation Commission's agenda for 6:30 pm on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Accordingly, you are asked to submit your comments by February 3<sup>rd</sup> to Mary Jo Warner at [mwarner@cityoframsey.com](mailto:mwarner@cityoframsey.com) with 'Rabbit Park' in the subject line.

Your ideas and comments are also welcome in-person at the Commission meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> if you desire. This meeting will be held in the Municipal Center's City Council chambers at 7550 Sunwood Drive NW.

If you require additional detail, or have ideas or questions on other aspects of Ramsey's park and trail system, you may contact me at 763 433 9853 or [mriverblood@cityoframsey.com](mailto:mriverblood@cityoframsey.com). Thank you in advance for your time and attention to this matter.

Yours in Public Service,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Riverblood', enclosed in a light blue rectangular box.

Mark Riverblood,  
Parks & Asst. Public Works Superintendent