



Planning Department

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HOUSING NEEDS AND PARKS AND RECREATION KEY TOPICS FOR JANUARY 26 GENERAL PLAN MEETING

MADERA, CA – Residents are invited to attend the upcoming public meeting regarding the City of Madera General Plan to learn about how affordable, quality housing will be provided and maintained in Madera and how park and recreation needs will be met.

The General Plan Public Advisory Committee meeting will be held at the Frank Bergon Senior Center Monday, January 26, at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will include a presentation of the draft Housing Element and the draft Parks and Recreation Element of the General Plan Update.

The Housing Element describes the existing and projected housing needs for all income levels in Madera and outlines policies and programs that will help to meet those needs. Special attention is given to addressing the needs of working families, disabled persons, senior citizens, large families, homeless individuals, and farmworkers for permanent, safe, and affordable housing.

The Parks and Recreation Element contains the City's goals and policies for the development of future parks and other facilities, and the types of amenities they will include. The Parks and Recreation Element will be implemented by the more detailed Parks and Recreation Master Plan, which is currently under development. The Master Plan will be introduced at the meeting to show how it will implement the Parks and Recreation Element.

Residents attending this meeting will have a first-hand opportunity to provide invaluable feedback that is essential in shaping Madera's future.

General Plan Update Meeting Draft Housing and Parks & Recreation Elements

Monday, January 26th at 6:30 p.m.
Frank A. Bergon Senior Center
238 S. "D" Street
Madera, CA 93638

For additional information, please visit our Web site at www.maderageneralplan.com.

About the Madera General Plan Update

The General Plan Update began on November 26, 2007, when the City of Madera held its first Steering Committee meeting. As the first update in 15 years, the General Plan is a catalyst for implementing the ideas and aspirations as reflected in the City's Vision 2025 Plan. The community plays an important role in planning and shaping Madera's future. By sharing your ideas, we create a vision for Madera.

Public meetings and workshops on the General Plan will take place over the next six to eight months. A listing of meetings and topics is available at www.maderageneralplan.com.

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