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Park Board Endorses Tysons Park System Concept Plan

On Wednesday, October 22, 2014 the Fairfax County Park Authority Board endorsed the Tysons Park System Concept Plan. With this action, the Park Board concluded another phase of a lengthy planning process that involved the creation of task forces and committees, dozens of public meetings, took into consideration hundreds of public comments and essentially laid the cornerstone for development of recreational amenities and parkland in Tysons.

The Park Concept Plan will now be used to inform Phase III of the Tysons Urban Center Plan Amendment. Possible changes to the Tysons Comprehensive Plan pertaining to parks and recreation will be discussed at public meetings held by the Planning Commission's Tysons Committee beginning in January 2015.

Park Authority Board Vice Chairman Ken Quincy was pleased by the action. Quincy (PAB Member, Providence District), who also serves as chairman of the park planning committee, was an active participant in this planning effort and stated, "This is a major achievement and everyone should realize that while this isn't the end, it is an important milestone that involved a lot of people, a lot of hours and a lot of work." Quincy complimented Park Authority planners and told fellow members of the Park Board they could be very proud of the concept plan.

By 2050, Tysons will be transformed into an urban center with 100,000 residents and twice that number of jobs. As Tysons changes to a major urban center, a connected network of parks will help distinguish Tysons as a place that provides both economic benefits to the region and a high quality of life. The Tysons Park System Concept Plan will guide future park development by the public, private and non-profit sectors to serve Tysons' residents, employees and visitors well into the future.

The final endorsed plan can be viewed online at <http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/parks/plandev/tysons-park-planning.htm>.

For further information about the concept plan, contact Project Manager Andi Dorlester at 703-324-8692. For information regarding the Tysons Urban Center Plan Amendment contact Brenda Cho at 703-324-1267.

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