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Draft Community Park Master Plan Open House - October 28

The student team from Vancouver Island University will present the draft Community Park Master Plan to the public for their consideration and comments on **Saturday, October 28**. The drop-in public open house will be held at the Parksville Community and Conference Centre from 10 am to 2 pm.

The draft plan presented by the students to Council on October 2 included their findings and draft recommendations. The presentation focused on methodology, guiding principles, priority recommendations and the short to long-term concept visions for the Community Park.

The Community Park often described as the jewel of Parksville, supports many activities for all ages, from special events to the more simple pleasures of walking along the waterfront and the enjoyment of nature. The public is encouraged to drop in on Saturday, October 28 to provide their comments on the draft plan. These comments will then go to Council for their consideration when approving the final Community Park Master Plan.

Since the project first started early this year, VIU students have held a variety of public engagement and consultation activities to inform the twenty-year vision and master plan for the Community Park. Engagement included such events as Parks on the Streets, a World Café, Gazebo Talks, one-on-one picnic table meetings and online and in-person surveys.

The draft Community Park Master Plan is available from the City's website at [link]

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