



CITY OF MERIDIAN

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### **Town Hall to Focus on Future of Meridian's Parks and Recreation**

*MERIDIAN* – The City of Meridian will host a Town Hall on Wednesday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m., at Meridian City Hall. The public forum will give citizens an opportunity to hear the outcomes of a series of focus groups and stakeholder meetings held as part of the Parks and Recreation Master Plan update. The meeting will be facilitated by GreenPlay LLC, a nationally known parks and recreation management consulting firm that is helping the Meridian Parks and Recreation Department conduct a comprehensive recreational facilities and activities needs assessment and action plan.

The focus group and stakeholder meetings are focused on the community's current and future needs regarding parks, pathways, open spaces, recreational facilities, and related programming and services. These outcomes will help guide the City's decision-making as it embarks on the process of updating the master plan for its parks and recreation system.

Meridian Parks and Recreation Director Steve Siddoway explains, "The information we gather will help provide the direction for our department over the next ten years. As our community grows and diversifies, we want to be confident our facilities and programming are keeping up with trends and interests, that our capital improvements will be wise investments, and that we continue contributing all we can towards our community's high quality of life."

Residents, business owners, open space and trails advocates, sports groups, recreation enthusiasts, and other interested parties are encouraged to attend. We will also live stream the public forum on our website, [www.meridiacity.org](http://www.meridiacity.org).

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The City of Meridian is located in the center of the Treasure Valley in southwest Idaho. Founded in 1893 and incorporated as a city in 1903, Meridian is now one of Idaho's largest and fastest growing communities. Meridian is cited by Money Magazine as one of its Top 50 Best Places to Live, and by America's Promise Alliance and ING as one of the nation's 100 Best Communities for Young People. For more information, visit [www.meridiacity.org](http://www.meridiacity.org).