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## Westpark Property Informational Meeting Set for April 26

Loudoun County invites members of the public to attend a public information meeting to learn more about the county's current and future plans for the recently purchased Westpark property. The information meeting will be held **Wednesday**, **April 26**, **2023**, **from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m.**, in the Board Room of the Loudoun County Government Center, 1 Harrison St. SE, Leesburg.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide interested residents with an update on the interim maintenance that the county will conduct until the future park improvements are complete. In addition, the county will provide a preview of the upcoming improvement project schedule and future public input process that will begin in the coming months.

The county allocated funding this year and in fiscal year 2024, which begins July 1, 2023, for professional services that will help the county begin to plan a future passive park. This process includes conducting various assessments. Additionally, later this year the project team will begin to engage the community for input on the design of the future park. Funding for the project in the amount of \$13.4 million is included in the county's <u>Capital Improvement Program</u>. The project has an estimated completion date of 2027.

In August 2022, Loudoun County purchased 134 acres of the former Westpark Golf Course that was located along Country Club Drive in Leesburg. The county-owned land has been placed into a <u>conservation easement</u>, which will preserve the natural landscape. The Westpark improvements project includes the design and construction of a passive park. A typically passive park may consist of walking and biking trails and include many natural and minimally disturbed areas. Once the project begins later this year, residents will have an opportunity to provide input on the design of the future park.

More information—including a link to sign up for email and text updates on the project—is posted on the Loudoun County website at <u>loudoun.gov/westparkproperty</u>.

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