

Madison Parks Division

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Dear Transportation Commission Members,

On December 18, 2023, the Lake Monona Waterfront Ad-hoc Committee unanimously approved the draft Lake Monona Waterfront Master Plan for submission to the Common Council. The master plan and corresponding report represent the outcome of an ambitious, multi-year planning initiative for 1.7 miles of shoreline and 17 acres of public green space.

The plan development process centered on the community goals of creating a visionary, inclusive, and environmentally focused waterfront. Each planning phase relied on extensive public outreach and engagement to guide the Ad-hoc Committee's decision-making process. Planning was also informed by other corresponding City initiatives, notably the John Nolen Drive reconstruction project led by City Engineering, with plan team members regularly meeting to coordinate the detailed roadway and intersection designs with the overall transportation concepts conveyed in the plan.

The master plan is the product of hundreds of hours of engagement, outreach, and committee deliberation. It sets a new vision for the future of Madison's foremost public lakefront, and I look forward to presenting the draft plan at the January 31 Transportation Commission meeting.

Regards,

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