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## City of Berne Launches Public Survey for 5-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan

**Berne, Indiana** — The City of Berne is excited to announce the launch of a community-wide survey to help shape its upcoming 5-Year Parks and Recreation Master Plan. This initiative, guided by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) planning standards for parks, will serve as a roadmap for future park improvements, recreational programming, and open space development throughout the city.

The Master Plan will reflect the community's vision and priorities for parks and recreation, and public input drives the planning process. Residents, business owners, and visitors are encouraged to participate in the survey to share their ideas, concerns, and aspirations for Berne's parks and recreational facilities.

Mayor Sprunger stated, "We want to ensure our parks and recreation system continues to meet the needs of our thriving community. Your feedback will help us prioritize investments and improvements that matter most to you."

The survey is available online at <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BerneParkPlan">https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BerneParkPlan</a> during the month of October. Paper surveys are also available at Berne City Hall.

Topics covered in the survey include:

- Park usage and accessibility
- Desired amenities and facilities
- Recreation programs and events

The final Master Plan will help the City of Berne qualify for future grant funding through IDNR and other sources, ensuring that local parks continue to thrive and serve residents of all ages.

**QR Code for Survey:** 

