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# NEWS RELEASE

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## **Second Public Input Meeting Planned for Skate Park Project**

DUBUQUE, Iowa – The City of Dubuque will host a second public input meeting on a proposed new skate park at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 15, in the Majestic Room at the Five Flags Center, 450 Main St. Potential user groups, potential project partners, and all others interested are encouraged to attend.

The first public input meeting, held on Nov. 9, gave community members an opportunity to meet the project design team, ask questions, share ideas, and discuss the project in-depth. The Dec. 15 meeting will focus more on the design of the proposed skate park. Custom concept ideas based on skaters' comments will be showcased for viewing and suggestions and/or comments. Location of the proposed skate park is still to be determined.

The City's goal for a new skate park is to draw and engage local users to a facility that will challenge beginners to experienced users at a facility that provides street and park style elements, obstacles, and terrain as determined by community engagement and City staff. No predeterminations have been made whether the facility will be concrete, metal, or other materials or whether it should be a skate park, skate plaza, skate spot or other configuration. This will be determined through the evaluation and design process.

The City has committed \$600,000 to the completion of the project and has also challenged a local parent and skate park user group to raise an additional \$200,000, which would give the project a total budget of \$800,000. Additional background on the proposed project is available at [www.cityofdubuque.org/skatepark](http://www.cityofdubuque.org/skatepark). For more information, contact the City of Dubuque Leisure Services Department at 563-589-4263.

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