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Dear property owner:

You are receiving this correspondence from the Town of Mammoth Lakes because your property is located in close proximity to the proposed Community Multi-Use Facilities project at Mammoth Creek Park West. The Town of Mammoth Lakes is seeking broad public input regarding the initial planning and design effort and looks forward to your participation at our **Public Workshop on Friday, January 29, 2016 from 4:00-6:00pm at Suite Z in the Minaret Village Mall (above Starbucks)**. The date and time were selected to elicit as much community participation as possible. If you cannot attend in person, you may watch the workshop on Granicus, accessible online via the Town's website (www.townofmammothlakes.ca.gov).

If you are not already aware of this design and environmental documentation effort, the Town has created a dedicated website to provide project background and to keep you informed of the *Plan Mammoth Creek Park* project: www.planmcp.com. The website is the source for all information pertaining to this project. You may also subscribe to receive project emails or text notifications via the Town's 'Notify Me' list (www.ci.mammoth-lakes.ca.us/list.aspx) or send an email with comments or recommendations regarding the project to planmcp@townofmammothlakes.ca.gov.

This letter provides a brief description of the proposed project and describes our expectations for the workshop on Friday, January 29. The workshop will be most productive if all participants are knowledgeable and prepared and arrive willing to provide constructive input. Please consider this letter and the website above simply as a gateway to the available information – if you are interested in the project and the process, please review all available information prior to the meeting.

The project titled *Plan Mammoth Creek Park* (planMCP) includes three major components:

- A. A Multi-use Facility, which is an upgrade of our existing facility near the Mammoth Lakes Library located at 416 Sierra Park Rd.
- B. A Community Center, intended to replace the existing community center located on Forest Trail near The Village, and;
- C. A playground with accessible components.

This project has been the subject of numerous meetings, some solely for this purpose, such as a previous site walk and open design charrette conducted on April 30, 2015 by the Town. It has also been on the agendas of the Recreation Commission, Mammoth Lakes Recreation and Town Council. In accordance with Town Council direction to staff to proceed with preliminary design in support of a future environmental review process, we have scheduled this dedicated public

meeting on Friday, January 29 to consider design alternatives for the Community Multi-Use Facilities at Mammoth Creek Park West. This action followed extensive due diligence conducted by Town staff along with representatives from Mammoth Lakes Recreation and the Recreation Commission regarding the proposed relocation of the recreation facilities. On January 6, Town Council authorized the Town Manager to execute agreements with the consultants to provide preliminary design services and to prepare an environmental review document.

What the Town will present: The consultants will prepare and present three site plan alternatives for community review and discussion. Information will also be presented regarding initial conceptions of building size (dimensions, height, massing) and use. The Recreation Commission is the Town Council's designated lead advisory body for this project and will be actively engaging the community in assessing the programming needs and space alternatives of the facilities. These programming-specific workshops are scheduled to commence later in February.

The direction to the consultant is to provide three alternatives that provide significant community benefit while minimizing potential environmental impacts. Town Council has provided clear direction to prepare a preliminary design. Once that is complete, estimates are prepared and the environmental process is certified, Town Council will consider all available information and be prepared to make a final determination of whether the project will move forward and in what method.

What we are looking for: We are seeking input, based on the three alternatives, on the proposed locations for buildings and appurtenances and how various parts of the project can best work together. Additionally, with a parcel size of approximately 4.9 acres, 2.9 acres of which is undeveloped, we would like to hear ideas you may have regarding amenities or other uses for the remainder of the site. We welcome your creative and productive suggestions as well as any concerns you may have regarding the project. Please begin with the assumption that the final design will include the Multi-use Facility, Community Center and a playground with accessible components.

What we will not be doing: We will not debate whether or not the facilities should be located at Mammoth Creek Park West. Town Council has provided direction regarding the preferred location along with the major complementary components and it is our task as a community to work together to recommend the best possible project that provides significant community benefits while minimizing potential impacts. Only then, after appropriate environmental review, can a final decision be made.

Be part of your Town's recreation future by participating in the *Plan Mammoth Creek Park* project. We hope to see you on Friday, January 29, 2016 in Suite Z at 4:00pm.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stuart Brown". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Stuart" being more prominent than the last name "Brown".

Stuart Brown
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Recreation Manager and Public Information Officer