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Matt Beaton, Secretary  
Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs  
100 Cambridge Street, Suite 900  
Boston, MA 02114

Dear Secretary Beaton,

I am pleased to submit the City of Leominster's Open Space and Recreation Plan. Our committee has been hard at work over the past year – surveying the public, analyzing our community needs, and determining our upcoming priorities.

In the 1990's, the City of Leominster developed a comprehensive growth management plan. The process and subsequent document allowed the City to manage growth including slowing residential growth, targeting business development sites, and preserving those parcels of land most near and dear to our environment for active and passive use.

Since development of our last Open Space and Recreation Plan, we have accomplished many of our goals. In particular, with help from the state, we have preserved additional land and expanded our recreational opportunities. With the completion of the current plan we look forward to expanding our trail system, embracing programs that maximize community fitness, and taking on advanced planning through the creation of master plans.

I wholeheartedly endorse this plan and the work of the committee. I look forward to working with the citizens of Leominster to continue to create new recreational opportunities and preserve our treasured open space.

Thank you to you and your staff for the guidance and assistance during this process.

Sincerely,

  
DEAN J. MAZZARELLA  
Mayor