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NOMINATE CITY OF CHAMBLEE TO WIN \$20K DURING “MEET ME AT THE PARK”
City with the most nominations wins a grant for park improvement

April 3, 2017—Local parks make Chamblee a better place to live and shape many of our lives. Parks are essential to our city’s health and wellbeing. They provide safe places to be active and enjoy nature—and they help preserve the environment and bring people together. That’s why from April 1 to April 30, Chamblee residents will have the opportunity to nominate our city to receive \$20,000 in grant funding to make improvements at one of Chamblee’s local parks.

This Earth Month, the National Recreation and Park Association (NRPA) is collaborating with The Walt Disney Company, including Disney Citizenship, Disney|ABC Television Group and ESPN, to revitalize parks across the U.S. for a third year. The city that receives the most nominations will receive a \$20,000 grant to improve a local park of their choosing.

By visiting “www.NRPA.org/BeInspired,” park supporters can nominate Chamblee. Once at this page, fill in the required information, and hit “Enter & Vote.” This takes you to a secondary page where you can type “Chamblee, GA.” Be sure to vote every day. At the end of April, the city with the most nominations will receive the grant funding. New this year, everyone who nominates a city will be entered into a drawing for a tablet outfitted for the outdoors.

“Chamblee hopes to be the first parks and recreation department in the state of Georgia to receive the “Meet Me at the Park” grant,” stated Jodie Gilfillan, Director of Chamblee Parks and Recreation. “Chamblee has several parks that could use these grant dollars, such as Keswick Park, where we could use the monies to resurface the basketball court, and if money allows, add other amenities to that area, like a water fountain.”

About The National Recreation and Park Association

The National Recreation and Park Association is a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to ensuring that all Americans have access to parks and recreation for health, conservation and social equity. Through its network of nearly 60,000 recreation and park professionals and advocates, NRPA encourages the promotion of healthy and active lifestyles, conservation initiatives and equitable access to parks and public space. For more information, visit www.nrpa.org.

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Located just 14 miles from downtown Atlanta, Chamblee is a vibrant urban city with a diverse community and international flair. The City of Chamblee began as a small rail town and was incorporated in 1908. It has grown to more than seven square miles and nearly 30,000 residents. Chamblee is home to a heavy rail MARTA station, a historic downtown and Antique Row, the vibrant Buford Highway corridor, DeKalb-Peachtree Airport (PDK), the Centers for Disease Control and a thriving business community with a unique sense of entrepreneurship and optimism. Visit www.chamblee.gov for more information.