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Doors to Prior Lake's First Senior Center to Open in January 2008

The City of Prior Lake will open the doors to its first senior center in January 2008. A grand opening for the 6,000-square-foot space adjacent to the Prior Lake library will likely be in April of 2008. The location was previously leased by Premiere Dance Academy, which moved to its own building.

The City Council approved plans for the center on the recommendation of a task force that was formed to study the idea over the summer. The council earmarked \$68,000 to pay for a part-time program coordinator, make improvements to the space and cover program costs and office supplies.

The center will be used for social activities for all ages, but will mainly serve as a place where seniors can meet, participate in planned events and activities, get information on health and wellness and organize trips. It is anticipated the center, while the responsibility of the City, will operate in close cooperation with ISD 719 Community Education, Keystone Communities, McKenna Crossing, Lakefront Plaza, the YMCA and more.

Visit www.cityofpriorlake.com, under "City Information," for more on the project, or call City Hall at (952) 447-9820.

Prior Lake is a developing suburb in north central Scott County with a small-town atmosphere and many recreational amenities including numerous parks and lakes that offer year-round recreation. With an estimated population of 22,000, the city is projected to be a fully-developed community of 40,000 by 2030. Prior Lake's 2030 Vision and Strategic Plan is dedicated to providing quality services resulting in a safe, secure community. Prior Lake is a wonderful place to call home.