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Moscow Considers Heated Benches for Winter

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Moscow residents may soon be able to keep their derrieres warm in even the coldest winter weather with the arrival of heated benches, a news report said Monday.

Innovative benches with built-in heaters may soon appear on the city's streets, in sports stadiums and in some courtyards, according to Rossia-24 television channel.

The benches, made by a Novosibirsk-based company, New Horizons, contain a heating mechanism triggered when the temperature falls below 15 degrees Celsius.

The first benches will appear at the city's VDNKh park as part of a forum on improving city life on Nov. 5-6, while Fili park's management is already seeking investors in order to install the benches there, Rossia-24 reported.

Marianna Fetosova, the park's PR manager, was cited as saying the benches would be put in the most popular areas of the park, as well as near the entrance.

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