

# MINUTES

## City Council Parks, Trails, & Recreation Committee

Wednesday, January 24, 2018, 3:30 PM

Administrative Conference Room at City Hall

**Members Present:** Gary Daniel, Chair, Council Member  
Maureen Copelof, Vice-Chair, Council Member  
Jim Fatland, City Manager  
Daniel Cobb, Planning Director  
Keenan Smith, Citizen Member  
Gregory Copeland, At-Large Member

**Staff Present:** Aaron Bland, Planning Department  
Nicole Owenby, Finance Department  
Jimmy Cassell, Brevard Fire Department

**Special Guests:** Jonathan Griffin, Interim Recreation Director  
Torry Nergart, Conserving Carolinas

**Media:** Matt McGregor, Transylvania Times

**Absent:** David Lutz, Public Works Director  
Cody Owen, Citizen Member  
Colin Izzard, Citizen Member

### Welcome & Call to Order

Gary Daniel, Committee Chairman, called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

### Certification of Quorum

Nicole Owenby, Finance Department, certified that a quorum was present.

### Complete Streets Policy

Daniel Cobb, Planning Director, introduced Aaron Bland from the Planning Department to introduce the Complete Streets Policy to the committee. February 2017, the city applied to the League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Communities Program. The City was

notified in May 2017 that the application fell short of receiving certification and Brevard was recognized as “honorable mention.” Mr. Bland stated that there are certain key steps to becoming certified at the Bronze level. One was the adoption of a Complete Streets Policy and implementation guidelines for future transportation projects in the city.

Complete Streets are designed with all users in mind, which include cars, cyclists, and pedestrians of all ages and abilities. There are many benefits to complete streets approach include safety, public health benefits, positive changes in travel patterns, and stimulation of local economy. There are five ways for Brevard to approach embracing complete streets; resolution, ordinance, policy, design manual, and integration with city planners. Mr. Cobb has recommended that the Committee makes a resolution on the Complete Streets Policy to send to City Council. Mr. Copeland seconded the recommendation. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Bracken Mountain Volunteers**

Keenan Smith and several volunteers and staff would like to construct a purpose-built one-way mountain bike trail on Bracken Preserve. Mr. Smith and community volunteers have been working for several months on organizing an effort to construct an additional trail. The request is to build a one-way trail to be utilized by riders going downhill and taking advantage of features like bridges, small obstacles, etc. The trail would also be used for emergency UTV access. Torry Nergart from Conserving Carolinas will volunteer his time to assist in navigating the existing conservation easement which is required before anything else can take place. A local trail builder has also volunteered to assist with design and construction. Mr. Cobb proposed a recommendation to address the Clean Water Association and further pursue the easement documentation with Torry and staff. Mr. Smith motioned, Mr. Copeland seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### **Pedestrian Plan Map Review**

Daniel Cobb stated that last plan was adopted 2006 and six of the 10 priorities have been completed. There needs to be a new list of priorities to set to review. Mr. Cobb recommended to create a new map of priorities at the next meeting.

### **Approval of Minutes from November 15, 2017 Meeting**


Mr. Fatland asked to amend the agenda. Mr. Daniel motioned to amend the agenda and to approve the minutes. Mr. Copeland seconded the motion. Motion to amend agenda and approve minutes passed unanimously.

### **Set Date for Next Meeting.**

The next City Council Parks, Trails, and Recreation Committee Meeting will be on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 3:30 PM.

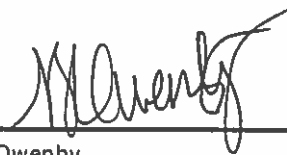
**Adjourn**

Mr. Copeland motioned to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fatland seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 5:05 PM.

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Gary Daniel,  
Chair, Council Member

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Nicole Owenby,  
Finance Department