



## REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION City of Greenville, South Carolina

Agenda Item No.

16b

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and Members of City Council  
**FROM:** John F. McDonough, City Manager

Ordinance/First Reading
  Ordinance/Second & Final Reading
  Resolution/First & Final Reading
  Information Only

**AGENDA DATE REQUESTED:** January 11, 2021

**ORDINANCE/RESOLUTION CAPTION:**

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT IN PRINCIPLE THE SWAMP RABBIT TRAIL EXTENSION MASTER PLAN AND DESIGN GUIDELINES (Z-15-2020)

**SUMMARY BACKGROUND:**

Staff submits the Swamp Rabbit Trail Extension Master Plan and Design Review Guidelines for adoption. In November 2019, the city of Greenville launched a master planning process to take a closer look at land use and opportunities for connections to the planned 4.5-mile extension of the Green Line of the Prisma Health Swamp Rabbit Trail from Cleveland Park to CU-ICAR. The purpose of this master plan is to develop a vision for the corridor and set a framework for future investments, both public and private, for the corridor. The plan identifies opportunities for greater connectivity with existing neighborhoods and commercial areas, improved bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, development, and future development opportunities which could be compatible and engage the trail.

The City Planning Commission, pursuant to public notice, held a public hearing on December 17, 2020, to consider the proposed master plan and design review guidelines. The application was recommended for approval by a vote of 7-0.

Planning Staff Recommendation: Approve

Planning Commission Recommendation: Approval by a vote of 7-0

**IMPACT IF DENIED:**

The Master Plan and Design Review Guidelines will not be adopted. The area would continue to be developed under the broad guidance of the existing Comprehensive Plan and through the existing land management regulations.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

None

**REQUIRED SIGNATURES**

**Department Director** Jonathan B. Graham  
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**City Attorney** Michael Pitts  
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**OMB Director** \_\_\_\_\_

**City Manager** John McDonough  
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A R E S O L U T I O N

TO ADOPT IN PRINCIPLE THE SWAMP RABBIT TRAIL EXTENSION MASTER PLAN AND DESIGN GUIDELINES (Z-15-2020)

WHEREAS, the city of Greenville (the “City”) desires to promote quality design and development along a planned 4.5 mile extension of the Green Line of the Prisma Health Swamp Rabbit Trail to be constructed from Cleveland Park to CU-ICAR, and

WHEREAS, in November 2019, the City launched a master planning process to take a closer look at land use and opportunities for connections to the planned trail extension; and

WHEREAS, the Swamp Rabbit Trail Extension Master Plan and Design Guidelines (the “Master Plan and Design Guidelines”) were developed through a planning process which incorporated public input by way of in-person and virtual meetings; and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission, pursuant to public notice, held a public hearing on December 17, 2020, to consider the proposed Master Plan and Design Guidelines, and the Commission recommended approval of the proposed Master Plan and Design Guidelines; and

WHEREAS, City Council finds the Master Plan and Design Guidelines to be compatible with the City’s current Comprehensive Development Plan and anticipated GVL 2040 Comprehensive Plan; and

WHEREAS, City Council desires to adopt the Master Plan and Design Guidelines as a tool to guide further expansion and development along the trail;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA, the Master Plan and Design Guidelines, which are maintained by the City Clerk’s office and available to the public on the City’s website at [www.greenvillesc.gov/srtplan](http://www.greenvillesc.gov/srtplan), are incorporated herein by reference and are adopted in principle by City Council as statements of Council policy. The endorsement of this Resolution is in principle and does not preclude variations or exceptions.

RESOLVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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MAYOR

Attest:

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CITY CLERK