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MEMORANDUM

Date: April 13, 2017

To: Parks & Recreation Commission

Cc: Joshua Durand, Parks Superintendent

From: Maeve Nevins Lavtar, Senior Park Planner

Project: **PRC 2017-17: Campbell Creek Trail Improvements**

INTRODUCTION & BACKGROUND

The Campbell Creek Trail improvement project is part of a multi-year, comprehensive trail maintenance program aimed at addressing safety and improving user experience on Parks and Recreation maintained trails. Funding is provided by the 2016 and 2017 Municipal Bonds for approximately \$1.35 million and a 2015 State Legislative Grant for \$150K. With this funding Parks and Recreation will be addressing several elements including: rehabilitation or replacement of cracked and heaving asphalt, bridge transitions, amenity upgrades and improved signage and wayfinding.

PLANNING AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

The Parks and Recreation Department has collected the community's feedback through the previous years of construction improvements on the Greenbelt Trail System. Staff has been collecting comments from the Trail Watch user group and conducted numerous site visits with users and other State and Federal Agencies to identify the highest priority maintenance repairs. In March of 2017, the project was presented to the Taku/Campbell Community Council. The feedback was entirely positive, in-favor of the project and phasing plan.

PROJECT PLAN

PHASE 1: SPRING 2017 IMPROVEMENTS

Staff has identified the *highest used* portion of the trail corridor and will begin construction in this region.

Phase 1 construction will include:

Campbell Creek Trail between **West Dimond BLVD. to Minnesota Dr.** is an 8 ½ foot-wide asphalt multi-use recreation trail. The proposed project will repave and reconstruct the existing trail, while adding two (2) feet of soft-surface shoulders on each side of the asphalt. This improvement project will include the rehabilitation/replacement of cracked and heaving asphalt, streambank restoration, bridges, underpasses, amenity upgrades and improved signage and wayfinding.

PHASE 2: 2017-18 IMPROVEMENTS

Staff has identified the *highest priorities* of concern by segment, spur and hazard.

Phase 2 construction will include:

Campbell Creek Trail between **Minnesota Dr. to Arctic BLVD.** is an 8 ½ foot-wide asphalt multi-use recreation trail. The proposed project will repave and reconstruct the existing trail, while adding two (2) feet of soft-surface shoulders on each side of the asphalt. This improvement project will include the rehabilitation/replacement of cracked and heaving asphalt, streambank restoration, bridges, underpasses,

amenity upgrades and improved signage and wayfinding. This phase will likely begin mid-July to early August 2017, permitting dependent. It is likely that the project will reach substantial completion by October 2017.

Project Website: <http://www.muni.org/Departments/parks/Pages/CampbellCreekTrailImprovements.aspx>

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The proposed improvements for the Campbell Creek Trail are consistent with the objectives identified in chapter 8: Maintenance of the 1997 Area Wide Trails Plan. The Department recommends that the Parks & Recreation Commission pass the proposed resolution to support the trail improvement project Phase 1 and Phase 2 as presented.



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PRC RES NO. 2017-09
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WHEREAS, the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Commission serves in an advisory capacity to both the Mayor and the Assembly; and

WHEREAS, the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Commission has the responsibility and duty to provide for the long term vision of our park system by ensuring that a balance of parks, natural resources, and recreation facilities provides for the health, welfare, and safety of all residents of the Anchorage Bowl; and

WHEREAS, the Campbell Creek Trail is major multi-use trail corridor that connects areas within our community and provides valuable recreational benefits in a protected greenbelt; and

WHEREAS, the Parks and Recreation Department has worked with professionals and community members to identify priorities for trail rehabilitation and upgrades; and

WHEREAS, Phase 1 will focus on the area of trail between West Dimond Blvd. and Minnesota Drive and Phase 2 will focus on the area of trail between Minnesota Drive and Arctic Blvd.; and

WHEREAS, the proposed improvements include rehabilitation/replacement of cracked and heaving asphalt, streambank restoration, bridges, underpasses, amenity upgrades and improved signage and wayfinding, as well as the addition of two (2) feet of soft-surface shoulders on each side of the asphalt, and

WHEREAS, this project is supported by the Taku-Campbell Community Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Commission approves the proposed rehabilitation of the Campbell Creek Trail as presented.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage Parks and Recreation Commission this 13th day of April, 2017.

Chair
Parks and Recreation Commission

ATTEST:

John Rodda, Director
Parks & Recreation Department



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Phase 1: West Dimond BLVD. to Minnesota Dr.

Summer 2017

Project Scope – PHASE 1

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FACT SHEET



CAMPBELL CREEK TRAIL

PHASE ONE - WEST DIMOND BLVD. TO MINNESOTA DR. (CONSTRUCTION FUNDED BY 2016 BONDS)



Project Timeline

The following table shows the anticipated project timeline.

PHASE	DATES
Conditions Assessment & Survey	2016
Final Design & Permitting	Winter 2017
Construction Begins	June 2017

Funding for Phase 1 provided by a 2013 State of Alaska Legislative Grant and the 2016 Park Bond. **If 2017 Park Bond is approved, it is anticipated that Phase 2 will proceed (Minnesota Dr. to Arctic BLVD).

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Phase 2: Minnesota Dr. to Arctic BLVD.

Construction TBD***

Project Scope – PHASE 2 – Schedule Contingent on Available Funding**

***If 2017 Park Bond is approved, then it is anticipated that Phase 2 will proceed to construction in summer 2017.*

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