

# Municipality of Anchorage



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## Resolution 2018-09 Of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors

### **Clarification of Resolution of Support 2017-08 regarding conceptual plans of the Girdwood Nordic Ski Club's (GNSC) multi-use trail in the Upper Girdwood Valley**

Whereas, the GNSC is a non-profit organization created for the purpose of operating and maintaining Nordic ski trails in Girdwood, and has a proven track record of building and maintaining the Nordic 5K loop including volunteer grooming on all Girdwood Nordic winter ski trails; and

Whereas, the GNSC conceptual trail plans align with the Girdwood Master Plan in supporting non-motorized recreational trail development and providing upland Nordic skiing terrain and groomed trails that are supported in the Girdwood Valley; and

Whereas, the GNSC plans to fund and build a four season, multi-use trail of a maximum 10' hardened surface width and a targeted maximum width of 14' clearing for adequate snow accumulation, minimizing visual impact on existing trails and environmental impact of trail construction; and

Whereas, the New Arlberg parking lot and Our Lady of the Snows are dual access options to the trail; and

Whereas, the GNSC has presented conceptual plans to the Girdwood Trails Committee, Girdwood 2020, and Girdwood Land Use Committee, and has adjusted those plans based on input from the committees on behalf of the community; and

Whereas, the GNSC will continue to keep the Girdwood Trails Committee (GTC) involved in the design and construction of the planned trail as follows:

- GTC will review and vote on the proposed center line at the GTC meeting on April 3, 2018;
- if the center line is approved by GTC, GNSC shall continue with production of a preliminary trail plan;

- preliminary trail plan is to be reviewed and voted on by GTC no later than their September regular meeting
- preliminary trail plan is to be reviewed and voted on by GBOS no later than the regular meeting scheduled for September 17, 2018, this vote representing the community approval or rejection of the trail; and

Whereas, the GNSC has demonstrated support for the new trail concept among the Nordic skiing community and with the general population of Girdwood through two surveys taken of the population; and

Whereas, the GNSC has received the support for the conceptual plan from the Girdwood Trails Committee at their regular meeting on June 6, 2017 with a vote of 16 in favor, 6 opposed and 3 abstentions; and

Whereas, the GNSC has received the support of the conceptual plan from the Girdwood Land Use Committee at their regular meeting on June 12, 2017 with a vote of 36 in favor, 5 opposed, and 3 abstentions;

Therefore, the Girdwood Board of Supervisors resolves by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed to support the Girdwood Nordic Ski Club's plan for the Forest Loop Trail construction in Girdwood's Upper Valley area.

Resolution amended with clarification to paragraph 6 at the GBOS Special Meeting RE: Clarification of GBOS Resolution 2017-08 on March 27, 2018 by a vote of 4-0 of the Girdwood Board of Supervisors.

Eryn Boone      3/30/18      Margaret Tyler  
Eryn Boone                      Date                      Witness  
GBOS Parks and Rec Supervisor