



RESOLUTION TITLE: TO APPROVE AMENDMENT TO THE CAROLINA THREAD TRAIL MASTER PLAN AND MAPS FOR GASTON COUNTY COMMUNITIES, TO INCLUDE THE BLUEWAY TRAIL

WHEREAS, On February 26, 2009, the Gaston County Parks and Recreation Commission and on February 26, 2009, the Gaston County Planning Board, voted to recommend adoption/approval of the "Carolina Thread Trail Plan for Gaston County Communities" to the Gaston County Board of Commission; and,

WHEREAS, a Resolution to support the Carolina Thread Trail was approved by the Board of County Commission on March 26, 2009; and,

WHEREAS, the Carolina Thread Trail has submitted a map amendment to include the Blueway Trail, which includes existing connections along the South Fork River through the Towns of Spencer Mountain, McAdenville, and Cramerton; and, a segment continuing south from Mountain Island Lake along the Catawba River through the City of Mount Holly; with proposed connections along the South Fork River from the Town of Cramerton heading south to Lake Wylie; and, from along the Catawba River through and from the City of Belmont heading south to Lake Wylie; and, along Dutchman's Creek heading south towards the City of Mount Holly; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Belmont, Town of Cramerton, and Gaston County Parks and Recreation Department offer written support of same; and,

WHEREAS, the Gaston County Planning Board voted to recommend adoption/approval of the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps Amendment at their regularly scheduled meeting on June 14, 2021; and,

WHEREAS, public hearing comments are on file in the Commission Clerk's Office as part of the minutes of the meeting.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Gaston County Board of Commissioners adopts the Carolina Thread Trail Master Plan and Maps Amendment; a submittal to include the Blueway Trail corridor that is intended to provide better connectivity and outdoor recreation opportunities for Gaston County residents and visitors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the County Manager is authorized to make necessary notifications in this matter to appropriate parties.

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