Town of Laurel Park

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RE: Henderson County Greenway Master Plan: 30 Year Vision

To the Board of Commissioners:

The Town of Laurel Park: Parks & Greenways Board would like to strongly express support for the adoption of the Henderson County Greenway Master Plan: 30 Year Vision.

The creation of a county-wide greenway network will greatly impact the public health and wellbeing of all the residents and visitors of Henderson County. Continued investment in this important greenway infrastructure is a priority of the residents of Laurel Park. Our Board is eager to connect our Town's parks ranging from Laurel Green and Rhododendron Lake Park at the bottom of the mountain to Jump Off Rock at the top. The Greenway Master Plan will provide an opportunity to create more spaces that are dedicated to walking, jogging and bicycling.

We commend the County Board of Commissioners for considering this topic and for planning a feasibility study to begin the process of greenway infrastructure. Laurel Park is poised to partner in future Greenway Projects. The Town of Laurel Park's Parks & Greenways Board's primary goal is to help residents and visitors alike with access, user safety and education to enable enjoyable outdoor recreation.

We believe that working together as a community, and through the vision of the Greenway Master Plan, Henderson County can be improved in a way that will benefit all county residents. Public health and wellness are vital parts of a thriving community and the vision of this plan will help achieve that goal.

As advocates for broad access to parks and greenways in the community, the Parks & Greenways Board wholeheartedly supports the Greenways Master Plan.

Sincerely,

Donald T. McIntyre

Chair

Town of Laurel Park: Parks & Greenways Board