

**The City Council of
City of Hood River, Oregon
Resolution 2020-14**

**Resolution Accepting the Hood River Area Multi-Jurisdictional Parks, Recreation
& Open Space “Parks Plan for All” to inform the City’s parks planning efforts**

WHEREAS, the City of Hood River owns and operates numerous public parks and recreation facilities to satisfy the recreational needs of residents of and visitors to the City of Hood River;

WHEREAS, the Hood River Valley Parks and Recreation District, Hood River County, Port of Hood River, and Hood River Valley School District also provide recreational facilities for the benefit of residents of and visitors to the City of Hood River;

WHEREAS, the City’s Goal 8 Recreation Plan was adopted in 1983 in the Comprehensive Plan;

WHEREAS, the City has not adopted a parks and recreation master plan;

WHEREAS, the City adopted a Transportation System Plan in 2011 that includes proposed bicycle and pedestrian facilities;

WHEREAS, the City developed a Westside Area Concept Plan Report, including frameworks for planning for parks and open space and pedestrians and bicycles on the west side of Hood River,

WHEREAS, the City supported the idea of developing a planning document for use by multiple entities that provide recreation facilities in the Hood River area;

WHEREAS, the City of Hood River supported Hood River County’s planning grant application to the Oregon Parks and Recreation District’s Local Government Grant Program to develop a multi-jurisdictional master plan for parks and recreation in the Hood River area;

WHEREAS, the Oregon Parks and Recreation District awarded a planning grant to Hood River County to develop a multi-jurisdictional master plan for parks and recreation and the Hood River Valley Parks and Recreation District oversaw the planning effort;

WHEREAS, the planning process included an extensive community engagement effort including community meetings, community survey, stakeholder discussions, focus groups, and information booths at public events that produced input from approximately 1,400 individuals;

WHEREAS, the City dedicated staff time to the cooperative planning process to develop a multi-jurisdictional master plan for parks and recreation and participated in a Technical Advisory Group;

WHEREAS, the Hood River City Council appointed Councilors Zanmiller, Saunders, and Haynie to participate in a Multi-Agency Joint Parks Plan Sub-Committee that met five times to discuss drafts of the master plan;

WHEREAS, the August 2020 draft of the multi-jurisdictional plan incorporates the Hood River City Council recommendations for improving the plan;

WHEREAS, the August 2020 draft of the multi-jurisdictional plan includes recommendations for collaboration with other recreation facility providers to plan, build, and sustain a system of parks and trails to provide recreational opportunities for residents of and visitors to the Hood River area;

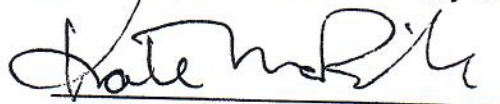
WHEREAS, the August 2020 draft of the multi-jurisdictional plan aligns with the City's Goal 8 section of its Comprehensive Plan; the City's 2020 goal to address community needs for parks and open space; the City's 2020 goal to encourage bicycle and pedestrian access; and the Westside Area Concept Plan Report;

WHEREAS, the multi-jurisdictional plan does not amend the City's Comprehensive Plan or land use regulations, but it can inform future legislative amendments of these documents and future land use and management decisions related to recreational areas within the City;

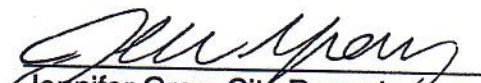
WHEREAS, the multi-jurisdictional plan can also serve to inform City planning, management and funding strategies such as the creation of a capital improvement plan for parks and trails, formulation of a city system development charge for parks, or amendments to the City's Transportation System Plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Hood River accepts the August 2020 draft of the Multi-jurisdictional Parks, Recreation & Open Space "Parks Plan for All" as guidance for future City planning, management and financing efforts related to recreational use areas, city parks, and pedestrian and bicycle trails.


Approved and Effective this 24th day of August, 2020 by the Hood River City Council.


Kate McBride, Mayor

Attest:


Jennifer Gray, City Recorder

Approved as to form:


Daniel Kearns, City Attorney