

Attachment A

MEMORANDUM

TO: Arden Hills City Council, PTRC Committee, Joe Vaughan and David Swearingen

FROM: John P. Van Valkenburg

DATE: April 20, 2021

RE: TRAIL PRIORITIES RECOMMENDATIONS

The PTRC Committee on March 16th and April 20th extensively discussed and adopted trail priorities as recommendations for the City Council of Arden Hills consideration. The 5 sections are labeled based on individual site concerns.

The PTRC vote was unanimously to prioritize the TOP TEN TRAILS.

The PTRC has established Point Persons for specific trails to help monitor need for presence and involvement as well as coordinate and gather the significant information on the key trails actively being considered at this time so the PTRC and ultimately the city council can be better informed. The point person for each trail has been indicated alongside the Trails below. An overall Trail person was also unanimously approved. That is Rich Straumann. The Point Person does not have extra authority to act or speak for the Committee unless so approved by the Committee as a whole. To date they have gathered information and circulated communication within the Committee and have acted with the full consent of the Committee. They are a resource not just for the PTRC but for the Council as you feel the need. A map is attached a guide and reference.

Pedestrian Safety Concerns:

1. From County Road E2 North to Lake Valentine Road (C R "F") and then West to MVHS (Youth+) ... Currently the City is preparing a RFP trail study for this to be a shovel-ready trail project. Point person appointed is Paul Beggin. (See 1.3 & J on Map).
2. From County Road "D" Northeast on Lake Johanna Blvd, past Tony Schmidt Regional Park – Ramsey County / METC (as Trail Building Partner – 2 segments), (See G, G1 & G2 on map) to intersection with Snelling Avenue N (Families). (Ramsey County is preparing a RFP draft for review. PTRC would like to review.) Point persons are Micah Kiernan and Kristine Poelzer.

Road Re-Construction Projects:

3. From Hwy 51 North to Snelling Avenue N intersection with County Road E / Lake Johanna Blvd (LJB). Anticipated road work in 2022. (See 1 on Map) Point person is Jill Anderson.
4. From County Road E (LJB) North along Snelling Avenue N / Old Highway 10, under I-694 to Hwy 96 which now has a regional trail on the South side. (Ramsey County road work in 2023) See Ramsey County – Transportation Plan 2021-2025. (See 1.4 & 1.5 map)

New Building Projects:

5. Bethal U Land Sale: Trail move / redo w/Senior Housing Project (B'U land sale) (2021) and new Fire Station in the future (year ___??). (See 5a & 5b on map)
6. Trail along South Shore of Round Lake (from West to East) with:
 - a. New Gateway Bldg. – (2021+)
 - b. Redo path to tower (20__?)
 - c. Arden Hills segment (20__?)
 - d. Senior Housing Project – 1st trail segment (2021)

PTRC requests that the City Council authorize City Staff to “Scope & Concept” the Trail. (See K.1a,b,c & d.

Trail Development Enhancements:

7. From County Road E / LJB along West side of Hwy 51 down to Glenhill Ave (Also City of Roseville planning trail extension down to Lydia Avenue in the future. (See 1+ on map). Roseville City Engineer, as of April 5th, is working with MN DOT ROW to “SCOPE” trail.
8. Crepeau Nature Preserve Trails upgrade to improve drainage and to replace old surfaces. Add Hamline Ave Trail-Extension. (See P on map).
Bethal U has “informally approved” that the Trail Extension can connect to Anderson Center Trail System (shorter trail segment) than the trail route previously proposed.

Future Trail Projects:

9. Rice Creek Commons- Trails along road & along water way. (See T.1 & T.2 on map).
Rice Creek North Regional Trail – Trail along West side of AHATS fence. (See T.3 on map).
PTRC anticipates full participation in Trails, Parks and Potential Civic Center builds.
10. Sunfish Lake Trail- fully completed in 2021, started in 2020. (See new U, on map).
AHATS staff should be contacted by City Staff about trail access – even if limited.