## Prince William County TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS COUNCIL

Advisors to the Board of County Supervisors

## **MOTION:** Amy Latalladi-Fulton

SECOND: Lynda Silverstrand

March 26, 2024 Regular Meeting Res. No. 24-6

## **RE: FUNDING IN THE FY25 BUDGET FOR TRAILS AND BLUEWAYS**

## **ACTION:**

**WHEREAS:** The most recent Parks Facilities Needs Assessment (2019) identified trails as the public's most desired recreational facility and water access points as the public's 2<sup>nd</sup> most desired facility; and

WHEREAS, The Department of Parks and Recreation has identified trail and water access projects that are already designed and permitted, which means that in addition to having a certain amount of funding invested in them, they have already been vetted and approved as necessary and desirable facilities; and

WHEREAS, Because of rising construction costs and possible permit requirement changes, delaying the construction of these facilities will likely increase the amount of funding needed to complete them;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Trails and Blueways Council recommends that the County's FY2025 budget include \$6,381,814 to ensure that the County is able to efficiently provide trails and blueways access points for the following projects:

PHNST – Neabsco Creek Wetland Preserve Boardwalk - \$4,020,814 – Shovel-ready Neabsco Creek ADA Parking to Boardwalk - \$111,000 – Shovel-ready Lake Ridge Marina Dock Replacement - \$2,000,000 – Design complete Neabsco Creek Kayak Launch - \$250,000 – Shovel-ready

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Trails and Blueways Council recommends that the County's FY2025 budget include increased funding for trails maintenance in the amount of \$250,000 to ensure adequate support for the 60+ miles of trails currently in the County's trails system.

<u>Votes:</u> Ayes: 11 Nays: 0 Abstains: 1 Absent from Vote (virtual only): 0 Absent from Meeting: 4 March 26, 2024 Regular Meeting Res. No. 24-6 Page Two

SIGNED: \_

Elizabeth Pamauer

Prince William Trails and Blueways Council chair