City of Columbia
701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Agenda Item Number: R 26-15
Department Source: Public Works
To: City Council
From: City Manager & Staff
Council Meeting Date: 2/16/2015
Re: Public Hearing - County House Trail Phase 2

Documents Included With This Agenda Item
Council memo, Resolution/Ordinance
Supporting documentation includes: Maps, Plats and Plans, Contact Log, Comment Forms

Executive Summary
Setting a public hearing for March 16, 2015, for the construction of County House Trail Phase 2, as shown on the attached location map. Interested parties (IP) meetings were held June 12, 2014, and August 26, 2014. The construction concept cost estimate for the project is approximately $775,000.

Discussion
The County House Trail Phase 2 project consists of constructing a ten-foot-wide concrete trail from the north terminus of Phase 1 of the County House Trail at the intersection of Stadium Boulevard and College Park Drive, continuing west around the Southwest Swim Club to Oxford Drive. From there the trail will continue north along City-owned right of way to Rollins Road.

The trail construction will include ten-foot-wide, six-inch-thick reinforced concrete, and will be constructed mostly on City right of way. There is an existing path used for utility maintenance access that will be utilized where feasible. Approximately eight (8) permanent easements will be needed, and approximately 85 trees, 6" and larger, are expected to be removed.

The first IP meeting was held on June 12, 2014; forty-three (43) people signed in and thirty-six (36) comments were received. The second IP meeting was held on August 26, 2014; sixty-one (61) people signed in and seventy-six (76) comments were received. Different options were presented at the IP meetings and the proposed alignment was selected based on the comments received.

The construction concept cost estimate is $775,000, and will be paid for using GetAbout Columbia funds. Earlier cost estimates for this project came in at $445,000. The increase in cost stems from the change in alignment as a result of the IP meetings. The new alignment results in a longer trail and includes additional retaining walls, extending the box culvert under Stadium Boulevard, additional tree clearing, and one additional crossing of the County House Branch.
Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: The construction cost estimate for this project is $775,000, and will be funded by GetAbout Columbia.

Long-Term Impact: The additional cost of maintenance for this trail is approximately $4,000 per year.

Vision, Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Vision Impact: Parks, Recreation and Greenways, Transportation
Strategic Plan Impact: Infrastructure
Comprehensive Plan Impact: Infrastructure

Suggested Council Action

Following Council discussion and public input, Council should make a motion directing staff to proceed with plans and specifications for the project.

Legislative History

8/26/14 - Interested Parties meeting #2
6/12/14 - Interested Parties meeting #1
9/03/13 - (REP 134-13) Council approved remaining priority projects, including County House Trail Pase 2, for implementation with GetAbout round 2 funding.
3/19/12 - (REP 48-12) Council approved top five priority projects for implementation with GetAbout round 2 funding
7/29/10 - (REP 74-10) Staff reported the City would receive an additional $6 million for Non-motorized funding.

Department Approved

City Manager Approved
A RESOLUTION

declaring the necessity for construction of the County House Trail Phase 2 project from the intersection of College Park Drive and Stadium Boulevard to Rollins Road; stating the nature of and the estimate of the cost of the improvement; providing for payment for the improvement; providing for compliance with the prevailing wage law; and setting a public hearing.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council deems the construction of a ten-foot wide trail, water crossings, retaining walls and other miscellaneous work from the intersection of College Park Drive and Stadium Boulevard to Rollins Road, in accordance with City of Columbia Street and Storm Sewer Specifications and Standards, more specifically described as County House Trail Phase 2, necessary to the welfare and improvement of the City.

SECTION 2. The nature and scope of the improvement shall consist of furnishing all labor, materials, transportation, insurance and all other items, accessories and incidentals thereto necessary for the complete construction of the improvements.

SECTION 3. The estimated cost of this improvement is $775,000.00.

SECTION 4. Payment for this improvement shall be made from Non-Motorized Transportation Pilot Program Funds and such other funds as may be lawfully appropriated.

SECTION 5. Any work done in connection with the construction of the improvement specified above shall be in compliance with the provisions of the prevailing wage laws of the State of Missouri. The City shall also cause to be inserted into the contract a stipulation that all laborers and mechanics employed by the contractor or subcontractors in the performance of work under the contract shall be paid wages at rates not less than those prevailing on similar construction in the locality as determined by the Secretary of Labor in accordance with the Davis-Bacon Act.

SECTION 6. A public hearing in respect to this improvement will be held in the Council Chamber of the City Hall Building, 701 E. Broadway, Columbia, Missouri, at 7:00 p.m. on March 16, 2015. The City Clerk shall cause notice of this hearing to be published in a newspaper published in the City.

ADOPTED this _____ day of ___________________________, 2015.
ATTEST:

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City Clerk Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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City Counselor
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS INCLUDED WITH THIS AGENDA ITEM ARE AS FOLLOWS:

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Spoke with Michael Lawler. He mentioned that once Rolls Road by his house and doesn’t want to disrupt them. Spoke with William Grabb. He is OK with the project. Spoke with Glenn Chambers. He is opposed to the project and expressed concerns about the trail flooding and the impacts it will have downstream. He also mentioned issues that need to be addressed with the sanitary sewer main. Spoke with Patricia Keshoo. The project should not be a problem, and her tenants are aware of the future project. Spoke with Beverly Fabrice. Seems OK with the project. Spoke with Wendy Lister. She supports the project. Spoke with Bryan Mathias. President of Southwest Swim Club Board of Directors. Of the previously proposed trail alignments, the current proposal is one that they prefer. Spoke with Bemice Kuckelman. When asked if she is familiar with the project, she said she is not and she does not care. She then hung up the phone. Spoke with Carl Leistner. He supports trails and does not have a problem with this one. Spoke with John Blow. He does not support the project because he does not think the trail will be used much.
Public Comment Form

County House Trail Phase 2 – Stadium Blvd. to Rollins Road

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Please send comments by June 26, 2014. Thank you for your input!

☐ I support Option 1.
☐ I support Option 2.
☒ I support either option.
☐ I support the project with the following exception noted below.
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Comments: Looking at the map option 2 looks better simply because it does not run along side the road (College Park Dr) next to the swim club but I haven’t walked option 2 so I’m not certain if there are other reasons not to support option 2.

Signature: [Signature]

William “Wil” Reeves
wilreeves@gmail.com

Name: William “Wil” Reeves
E-mail/Telephone: [redacted]
Mailing Address: 906 Colgate
City: Columbia
State: MO
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Comments:

Option 1 is much preferable to Option 2. Option 2 is problematic for a number of reasons: 1. There are significant safety issues related to a street crossing so close to high speed traffic turning off Stadium to College Park. Cars traveling from the east on Stadium turning right on College Park oftentimes do this at fairly high speeds as they are trying to leave a high speed stretch of Stadium where there is no turn lane to allow traffic to slow sufficiently prior to the turn. Even cars turning left onto College Park from Stadium often turn quickly to get out of traffic. While the crossing for Option 2 appears to be set back from the intersection a bit, the combination of speed and the lack of visibility due to the hill are a significant risk to bicyclists.

Comments continued next page ...

Signature: [Signature]

Debbie Rodman  
debbie@thesignman.com

Name  
E-mail/Telephone

300 Oakleaf Ridge Rd  
Columbia, MO 65202

Mailing Address  
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State  
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2. The costs of Option 2 would also be substantially higher than Option 1 due to the topography and physical attributes of the site. The trail will be have to be longer following the curve of the creek resulting in increased construction costs. This option will be more expensive due to the need to deal with the sharp grade of a trail descending from College Park to the bottom land along the creek. A trail along the creek will likely be subject to flooding which will increase maintenance costs.

3. The costs of Option 2 will also be higher because of its impact on an existing activity. The trail would significantly disrupt several areas of the private swim club, including the sand volleyball court, tennis courts, shuffle board courts, swings, bike racks, a portion of the parking lot. This route would also require relocation of a major utility pole near the parking lot. In addition this route would cut off access to a significant portion of swim club property reducing the overall value of the property. The cost of the easement from the swim club, along with the cost to replace disturbed amenities, and to maintain the privacy of the club, would likely be substantial.
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Comments: CREEK FLOODS ALREADY - WHO MAINTAINS BREAKING UP TRAIL
☐ CRITTER HABITAT !!!!!!!!
☐ PRIVACY INVASION
☐ PARKING & TRAFFIC ON ROLLINS + COLLEGE PARC ALREADY CONTESTED
☐ TOO NEAR SCHOOL → SAFETY FACTOR

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Signature: [Signature]

Bonnie L. Reed bonnieramlow@ hotmail.com
1905 W Rollins Rd Columbia, MO 65203

Mailing Address City State Zip

Homeowner in area since 1980
1. Bicycle traffic already dangerous.

2. Drainage on road & creek already a problem.


Please keep stadium & Rollins as is. Enough road planning & invasion & destruction as it is!!!

P.S. Public already steals everything in yard & has no pride in our neighbor hood. Let their "pets" roam. What public would this Trail bring!
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Too much traffic
And "projects" now
To properly maintain
& keep from being
invasive

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Comments:  
1. I am concerned about the existing wildlife in the woods, enjoying the outdoors also includes enjoying the deer, foxes, etc.  
2. I am concerned about the “river” that appears after a rain. A trail would not be usable if the water would eventually damage a concrete trail.  
3. I am concerned about the fact that the trail just ENDS. It goes nowhere.

Signature: Donna J. Strnad

Name: Donna J. Strnad  
E-mail/Telephone: dstrnad@centurytel.net

Mailing Address: 503 Cornell  
City: Columbia  
State: MO  
Zip: 65203
It's like the "bridge to nowhere" in Alasket.

4. I am concerned about the possible parking situation on that section of Rollins. When I back out of my drive way, I won't have a clear view of Rollins west toward Stadium.

5. I am concerned about the amount of my property that will be "taken" from me. The proposal shows a zigzag trail coming up through my land. I love the woods. How many more trees will be cut down without my permission? I also own a dog who will become agitated with people in our back yard. Don't zigzag on my property.
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☐ I do not support the project.

Comments: This is an awesome project. Thank you for including us.

Signature: [Signature]

Name: [Name]
E-mail/Telephone: [E-mail/Telephone]
Mailing Address
City
State
Zip

There is more space on the back of this form.
I 100% agree with this project! This is a wonderful thing for the neighborhood and the community. I can appreciate the amount of flack you guys must have to take from the people opposed to things like this. Please don't lose faith and keep up the great work. Every time I go to one of these public meetings I want to take you all out for a beer afterwards and give you a hug!

Lawrence Simonson
2706 Hillshire Dr.

lcsimonson@gmail.com

P.S. I like option #2
Public Comment Form

County House Trail Phase 2 – Stadium Blvd. to Rollins Road

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Comments: You are being challenged to fit a valuable project into an area not really, ideally prepared.
You have to weigh many opinions including from persons who know much less and have thought much less than do you.
We are very excited about this addition to our community.

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Signature:

Name: Paul H. Moessner
E-mail/Telephone: pmoesse1ne@stlouislutheran.org

Mailing Address: 808 Colgate
City: State: Zip:

DONNA & PAUL H. MOESSNER
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Comments: We live at 1015 College Park Drive, and our driveway backs out onto Oxford Drive. When the swim club is open, Oxford Drive is already an obstacle course, as cars will park on both sides of that narrow street because of the school. Not only does this make it difficult to get out of our driveway (I've already backed into one vehicle!), but it also makes it very hard to see who is turning onto Oxford Drive from College Park or from the SUSA parking lot. Collisions have been narrowly avoided more than once. Adding cyclists to this mix frankly terrifies me. (Note: we will be adding a teen driver soon!) For safety's sake, I strongly urge the city to choose Option 2.

Signature: Karen Pasley

Karen Pasley  kmpasley@gmail.com

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Mailing Address  City  State  Zip
I think this is a great idea.
Great use of existing
platted right of way. Don't use Swasa property
Use road way stop project.

Don't forget traffic calming on college park

Wendy List
1906 Princeton
Oxford
Comments:

1. Am supportive of extending bike trail, but the proposed model doesn't support the immediate community since College Park — in that there is no way to reach the trail w/o using College Park, which is not a good biking street.

   Improvements need to be made to College Park's bike trails in conjunction with this work.

   Project appears to serve broader community more than immediate community.

2. Presence Riparian Zone - Is this really the best + only option? Would want assurance this isn't disturbing the environmental establishment.
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Comments: Please ensure accuracy. 

[Handwritten comments]

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Signature: [Signature]

Name: Judy Schromaker  E-mail/Telephone: judymaker@yahoo.com

Mailing Address: 1518 St. Christopher St  City: Columbia  State: MO  Zip: 65203
My family line on Longfellow, and is very pleased to have this new option. We use the County House almost daily and will use this daily as well.

Chip + Jane Cooper
500 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, Mo 65203

Cooper.chip@gmail.com
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Comments: I would prefer an option that runs the new extension straight up the east side of College Park Dr. This would serve to combine the need to do speed control with improved pedestrian access without any eminent domain issues – would facilitate children riding to school, etc. (See back for sketch)

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Signature:  

Name:  
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James Vandynk, Elke Aten Burger

Vandykej@missouri.edu  
1905 Wissak  
Columbia  
65203
I am looking forward to this extension of the County House Branch Trail. I prefer Option 2, although crossing College Park that close to the Stadium Intersection is dangerous (right turning traffic from Stadium).

Wendy + Steve Hofmann
102 Longfellow
Como 65203
whofmann@mnsi.net

Ps. It would be good to create paths from the deciduous streets to the trail.

Wendy Hofmann
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Comments: We have a driveway that connects to Oxford Drive. The swim club travels and parking already creates a hazard when it is open. Putting a trail on Oxford Drive, plus the car, will be quite dangerous. If Option 1 is chosen, city will need limit parking on that part of Oxford Drive.

Signature: 

Name: Jeff Pasley
E-mail/Telephone: pasleyt@missouri.edu
Mailing Address: 1015 College Park Dr. Columbia, MO 65203
City: Columbia State: MO Zip: 65203

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Comments: Looks like a good project. Some concern about homeless or indigent population having access to the back's of property along proposed trail.

Would suggest removing stormwater drain before trail construction to avoid costly repairs (if needed) due to water overflow issues.

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Signature: Y. T. King and S. King

Name: 1914 Princeton Drive
E-mail/Telephone: Columbia, MO 65203
Mailing Address: City: State: Zip:
Public Comment Form
(County House Branch Phase 2)

☑️ I support option 2

I don't live nearby but support
the comprehensive trail system in
general!

CHB Phase 2 is an important
link in the overall system.

Karl Kruze
Karl.Kruze@mehrei.com
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Comments: This is NOT a project that has public benefit. It will simply provide easy access to the back of our properties and we have already experienced vandalism and this will only make it easier. The plan shows encroachment on our property that will require condemnation which will be contested.

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Signature: [Signature]

Lowell Patterson

Name

E-mail/Telephone

Mailing Address

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State

Zip
COMMENTS:

I do not foresee any meaningful users of this trail extension. It ends/start between two of the steepest grades in Columbia on Rollins Road. For bicycle commuters to downtown, this trail will not be sensible to use. It will add several miles to the ride.

For wheelchair users, this trail will not be of any use due to the steep grades in both directions on Rollins.

For recreational cyclists, this trail will be difficult due to the rolling grades.

For pedestrians, there is no meaningful parking/access at either end. It would be a better use of public resources to make College Park safer for pedestrians & cyclists. Please consider a widened trail/sidewalk on the east side of College Park. This will be used for families to walk to Russell Blvd & will aid others in the community.

Jeremy Reel
29/7 Beechtree Dr.
As long as tree loss is minimal @ the back end of our property - good for whoever wants to use it.
We won't be able to see any traffic from our backyard.
I just don't want to lose the screening trees.

Judy Linnell
811 Cornell

I agree with Jeremy — on 2417 Chase Dr.
On the usefulness for everyone but the immediate homes.
But about the trail. Winton College Park Sidewalk! (spoken)

Option 1: okay w/me.
County House Trail Phase 2
Public Comment
06 12 2014

I am, as an avid trail user and an owner of property which will abut Phase 2, absolutely in favor of this extension.

This judicious use of public funds on an existing right-of-way will open up a beautiful area to public use.

Thank you for all your efforts.

Scott Hincolin
811 Cornell
Steve Spellman
720 E Broadway

I support this project.
I used to live on 11th and Budge before the phase I was built.

Option 1 seems most practical as it cuts through a good piece of the game club land & is near College Park & the stadium.

Good job of following existing City right of way as much as possible.
I think this is a great trail. I love that it connects this neighborhood and surrounding neighborhoods to the NKT. It encourages more novice cyclists and pedestrians to get outdoors and enjoy nature. Anytime you build you're going to run into issues, nothing will be perfect but that shouldn't stop us from building such a great amenity to Columbia.

Thanks for all your hard work developing this trail.

I prefer option #2.

Abby St. George
alistgeo12@gmail.com
Great Trail! We need so many more of these. The adjoining neighbors will really love this once built.

John Rovira
We are very in favor of this project & the connectivity it will provide for non-motorized transportation.

Option 1 has some challenges in that it funnels the bike/ped/wheelchair traffic down what appears to be a fairly narrow & occasionally heavily trafficked street.

Option 2 is going to be easier & safer for cyclists in that it avoids interaction with the Swim Club traffic. We would encourage you to consider a route West of the creek through the Swim Club property if the ownership is opposed to the current alignment.

On the blue section, either alternate alignment seems fine. Ideally the neighbors will grant the easements necessary to avoid the creek crossings.

Annette Triplett
PedNet Coalition
Hi:

I'm writing you about the proposals for County House Trail Phase 2. I hope to attend the open house this evening, but in the event that I am unable to make it, I provide these comments.

I am a member of Southwest Swim Club, and my wife grew up as a member of Southwest Swim Club. Presently, the swim club enjoys a great deal of privacy and seclusion based on its location, which is one of its greatest assets. The proposed trail would alter the enjoyment of the property and decrease the value of membership in the club. In particular, option 2 of the proposed trail extension has the trail going through and across the land that the Swim Club uses for its sand volleyball courts and swing set. I object to this placement of the trail and you should expect that many members of Southwest Swim Club will join in this objection.

With both options, the department envisions a trail routed up the creekbed behind the homes off of the streets that intersect with College Park up to Rollins Road. There are likely to be environmental concerns with this trail, as that area serves as a necessary runoff/stormwater catchment area for the neighborhoods on both sides of the proposed trail. There are likely to be similar privacy concerns from adjacent property-owners who presently enjoy a similar sense of seclusion as the members of Southwest Swim Club. There may also be public safety concerns that arise from running the trail up that creekbed, as it will be a relatively dark, isolated, and potentially dangerous trail for pedestrians. Our teenage members of the Swim Club may deem this trail to be a safe way to return home when the Club closes at 9:00 PM, and given the darkness that will prevail at that time along the proposed trail, it may become a place for predators to lay in wait. It is also unclear where the trail is intended to go once it connects with Rollins at the proposed terminus.

Instead of routing the trail up the creekbed to Rollins, the Department of Public Works should consider extending the paved trail that presently terminates at College Park up the east side of College Park Avenue to Rollins. This would improve the safety and walkability of the neighborhood for families who want to have their children walk to Russell Boulevard Elementary School at the top of the hill. This would also largely eliminate the privacy concerns from Swim Club members, as well as the privacy concerns of neighbors whose homes presently enjoy a similar sense of seclusion.

As another alternative, Public Works could designate the street that surrounds Kiwanis Park to be a designated Bike/Pedestrian trail. I forget the name of the street, but this would also allow access to Rollins with minimal additional cost. This would not have the advantage of a wider walk/bike lane along College Park, but it would be a low cost alternative that would still provide a greater connection between Stadium/College Park and Rollins Road.

I understand that there may be a desire to keep trails and streets as separate transportation systems, but that goal is only as laudable as the proposals to support it. Since College Park Boulevard is already a relatively low traffic street (with the exception of school drop-off and pick-up times), there would be minimal disruption to automobile traffic from the placement of a widened sidewalk along the east side of the street. This would displace some on-street parking on that side of the street, but there is not a tremendous demand for on-street parking on College Park right now.

These are my thoughts, and I would welcome further dialogue with any member of Public Works staff about the County House Trail Phase 2 proposal or these comments.

Thank you for your service to Columbia.

Best,
Jeremy Root
2417 Beachview Drive

Jeremy A. Root  Partner  Stinson Leonard Street LLP
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Comments RegardingPlans for County House Trail Phase 2

Biddle, Bruce J. (Emeritus) <BiddleB@missouri.edu>  
To: Sam Budzyna <scbudzyn@gocolumbiamo.com>  
Cc: "Bank, Barbara J. (Emerita)" <BankB@missouri.edu>, Enian Thomas <ward4@gocolumbiamo.com>  

Sam Budzyna, E.I.T.

Public Works – Engineering Division

City of Columbia

Dear Sam Budzyna,

I write, at your suggestion and reflecting both my own views and those of my wife (Barbara J. Bank), to put on record the concerns about plans for County House Trail Phase 2—Stadium Blvd. to Rollins Road that I recently expressed to you over the telephone. And as you know, my wife and I are long-term residents of Columbia who have long enjoyed using its innovative public facilities, and we also own property adjacent to this proposed trail extension.

In brief, two issues concern us about plans for this proposed extension. First, should this trail extension be built at all? As you know, the venue for the extension is the bottom of a ravine, presently a wilderness, whose embedded stream is subject to unpredictable, sometimes raging floods, silting, erosion, and stream-bed wandering. Thus, any trail constructed in this venue would inevitably experience periodic episodes of flooding and wash-out requiring costly repairs. Worse, we cannot imagine that many persons would make use of this extension which—in sharp contrast with the KATY trail, for example, would: serve no obvious user population, offer few-to-no attractive features, and require that users contend with a steep slope between Rollins Road and the bottom of the ravine where the rest of the trail extension would be located. Even initial construction of this extension would be expensive, and surely Columbia can find better uses for the tax dollars that would be required for constructing and maintaining this costly, fragile, and questionable facility.

Second, as we understand it, present plans call for paving this trail extension in concrete, and the major reason given for this intention is that maintenance is less expensive when a trail is covered by concrete rather than crushed stone. But we suspect that even a concrete trail would be periodically washed out by the severe floods that sometimes inundate the ravine where it would be placed, a paved trail would surely increase the severity of those floods, and—as Columbia learned from similar, now discarded, plans to pave the KATY Trail—concrete is less user-friendly.

Other persons, such as owners of adjacent properties that would be more severely affected by the proposed extension, may want to raise additional concerns, but the ones noted in this letter are already sufficient to suggest that a serious rethinking of plans for the extension is now in order.

Sincerely yours,

Bruce J. Biddle
County House Trail phase 2

Dan Harder <dan@midwestpropertymgmt.com>  
To: scbudzyn@gocolumbiamo.com, Barbara Hoppe <ward6@gocolumbiamo.com>  
Wed, Jun 25, 2014 at 2:23 PM

Barbara and Sam,

I grew up in the neighborhood off of College Park in the 80s and attended Southwest Swim Club for many years. We would have loved that trail, so many of my friends rode their bikes to Southwest and that trail would have been great. I think a lot of people will use it and it will open up the trail system to a larger area of the old southwest. I had explored that area as a kid and it is basically wasted space in the city limits. I hope you consider the proposed trail to increase trail use in the old southwest. I think a lot of people will benefit from it.

Thank You,
Dan Harder
1803 Bluff Pointe Dr
I object to the city spending over $400,00 on extending the hike/bike trail onto a trail that will disrupt the privacy of so many homes. I know the City has the right-of-way to do this, but the rationale seems flawed.

You've already spent a lot of money creating bike lanes all over town, let's use those and leave the citizens alone who have purchased homes nestled in the woods on the hopes they would find peace and privacy.

Please conserve the time and money we have to spend on trails and abandon this idea of an overland trail through these homesites. I lived in that neighborhood and I know how precious a quiet, private home can be.

LeeAnn Ball
3911 Zambezi Drive
Columbia, MO 65202
Dear Public Works staff:

At the Interested Parties Meeting on June 12, I submitted a comment form on which I stated a preference for Option 2. After further consideration, I would like to change my vote to "I do not support the project."

Obviously I have a vested interest in this, as the clearly favored Option 1 would take 8-plus feet of our driveway and lower yard — and all the vegetation thereon, which currently buffers us from the swim club — and send cyclists whizzing past the end of our now-shortened driveway. Having already managed to hit a parked vehicle when backing out of this driveway, I'm terrified of the idea of hitting a cyclist. As we have a teen who will soon begin driving, this fear is only heightened.

Nor are my concerns, besides safety, only self-centered ones. Our neighbors will also have their views impaired, the creek environment will be disrupted, and the wildlife we all so enjoy will have their habitat invaded. (And how many more trees, which dampen the sound from Stadium Drive, can we expect to lose?) Since all of this is in the service of connecting two things — Rollins Road and the County House trailhead on Stadium — that are already connected by bike lanes on College Park Drive, the benefits do not justify the costs. Judging from the steady stream of walkers and cyclists that go by our house every day, people seem to be managing to get between the two quite well already.

I recently spoke with an avid cyclist and near-daily user of the current trail (who accesses it from the north via College Park Drive), and he noted that the planned trail would let cyclists out onto Rollins in the trough between two large hills. So even though the proposed trail would moderate the initial climb somewhat (which is presumably the major point of the whole exercise), a cyclist would immediately face a challenging climb in either direction on Rollins Road. To his mind, this defeats the purpose, and he considers the whole project an ill-advised use of city funds. I agree.

I hope Public Works and the City Council will decide to forgo this project. There are many claims on the city's funds, and this project doesn't need to be one of them.

Respectfully,

Karen Pasley
1015 College Park Drive
Columbia, MO 65203
Dear Public Works staff:

Karen said much of what needs to be said, but I would also like to change my vote to "do not support." I filled out my comment format at the June 12 meeting before closely studying the plans and understanding just how invasive this project is going to be. By replacing trees with concrete, either option is going remove much of the buffer that Southwest Swim Club has from passing traffic, and expose the whole neighborhood much more to Stadium Drive. Option 2 will take out most of the buffer between our house and the swim club and between the swim club and College Park, while of course putting a public thoroughfare through our yard and adding a whole new level to the occasional chaos on Oxford Drive.

While I am a supporter and user of bike trails, County House Phase 2 seem to be quite an unnecessary one. The bike lanes on College Park are heavily used now, without incident, and seem to carry bikers and walkers quite successfully from this part of town down to the existing County House Trail, Twin Lakes, and the MKT Trail. This project is not going to provide new access to any major destination or street.

If safety is the object then this project (especially Option #1) will actually create several new hazards, crossing our driveway, Oxford Dr., and then College Park, at a point where cars achieve maximum speed coming down the hill or out of the Stadium intersection. Oxford is also going to have pedestrians in the street whether there is a separate trail or not, with people coming from their cars and all over the neighborhood on foot or bikes, and kids exiting the trail or lane to go across to the swim club at random points. The bike trail through our yard will just create one more stream of people and vehicles into what is already an unpredictable spot. It would be much cheaper and more effective to make biking on College Park a little safer by slowing down the cars with a lower speed limit or more traffic calming up the hill and a STOP SIGN or proper crosswalk at corner of Oxford Drive. Occasional speed limit enforcement over here would be a help, too. (If the trail must be built, eliminating some of the parking and painting a bike lane on Oxford Drive would seem like a better, cheaper option.)

The north end of this trail seems to present another safety hazard, since it will require cyclists to make a sharp turn at the bottom of a hill which is almost impossible not to go down at relatively high speed.

To sum up, this project seems to do far more damage than good, and surely the funds could be better used elsewhere. I enjoy cycling myself, and can see many more pressing needs than this trail. What about a better connection to or across Broadway from the south and west? What about getting bikes and pedestrians from the west side across the freeway to Cosmo Park and the north side bike trails? Money spent there would solve problems rather than causing them.

Yours,

Jeff Pasley
1015 College Park Dr.
Columbia, MO 65203
To whom it may concern,

It is our opinion that this trail is redundant and College Park Dr. should continue to be used as the bike trail connecting through to Rolins Road. It seems senseless to cut down trees so that Southwest Swim Club members may continue parking on the side of the street which "had" been shaded.

Thank you for your attention.

Sincerely,

Heather O'Connor
and John Leigers
Hello,

I hope I am directing my comments on this project to the right person.

I live near the proposed County House Trail phase 2. I often walk my dog in and around Kiwanis park. I am also a member at Southwest swim club, which of course is near the proposed trail.

I am a huge supporter of Columbia's parks and trails. Columbia's commitment to green space and outdoor recreation makes it a very pleasant place to live.

I wish we could add more parks, more green space and more nature preserves. The pressures of a growing and thriving city mean that green space will disappear very quickly over the next few years. I am hoping Columbia leads the way in making sure the pace of park and preserve acquisition speeds up.

I use a park or trail or nature area almost every day. It is a part of my daily habits.

All that being said, I wholeheartedly do NOT support the County House Trail phase 2 expansion. I think Phase 1 was great. But now it is time to leave it alone. We already have Bike lanes going up College Park Drive. College Park Drive is a scenic and lovely street. There is no need to go up the draw behind the homes on College Park with a trail. Redirect the half million to acquire more land that can be set aside as a park or preserve.

Resources are not unlimited. Let's leave well enough alone and go and acquire more green space.

Thanks,

Tron

Tron Jordheim
1702 Oakwood ct
From: "Cameron, Brooke B. (Emeritus)" <CameronBB@missouri.edu>
Date: Sunday, June 15, 2014 4:50 PM
To: Ian Thomas <ward4@gocolumniamo.com>
Subject: Proposed trail behind College Pk. Dr.

Dear Councilman Thomas,

My husband and I are your constituents at 923 College Pk. Dr. Frankly given the neighborhood property owners opposition to the idea, its going to be an uphill battle. Not only that but yesterday we walked the length of the proposed trail and its a nearly vertical climb up to Rollins Road when one completes the walk. If the trail proposed to connect with Rollins Road a huge staircase is going to have to be constructed. For me there is no clear reason to add this trail, given the expense, when College Park Drive has bike lanes and access to the trail at the intersection with loop 740.

It presently is a utilities right of way owned by the city but it would require acquisition of several parcels of land in private ownership. The creek would be disrupted and habitat for critters destroyed. Frankly if you've walked the strip which goes from 2 tire tracks to one to jungle, it sort of brings to mind the construction of the Panama Canal, its pretty wild.

So if we had our druthers we would say, leave it as it is. At the most make a gravel path for walkers, because the biker are going to use the street. We would also like to know if there will be a presentation by the city, there was none at the meeting, which incidentally you did not attend. Lastly as we say in Boone County, "I have no skin in this game", our property is not contiguous with the proposed trail. We are frequent users of the Katy trail and there is already access from this neighborhood to the Katy. Please let us know when the next meeting about this will be and we hope you can attend too.

Best regards
Brooke and Ben Cameron
Public Comment Form

County House Trail Phase 2 – Stadium Blvd. to Rollins Road

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(please include "County House Trail Phase 2" in the subject line and provide your name and complete mailing address)

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Signature:  

Name:  jeni O’Connor  
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Mailing Address:  2401 John Court  Columbia, MO 65203
City:  State:  Zip:
To whom it may concern,

My name is Suky Mortensen-Stuckey. My family and I live at 505 Longfellow Lane in Columbia Missouri. We hope we’re not too late to submit our support for the County House Trail Phase 2. We support the project with either alignment. Please keep us in mind for future support of this project.

Thank you,
Suky Mortensen Stuckey
On Wed, Sep 10, 2014 at 11:07 PM, sara loe <loe.sara1@gmail.com> wrote:

Marie:
Thank you for sharing the information from Mr. Budzyna with me as well as your talking points. Below is the email I mentioned from Mr. Tom Wellman that includes some numbers regarding runoff and how adding the paved trail/utility access road will impact that.

I have cc’d Mr. Budzyna and Mr. Thomas on this email to make them aware that I share concerns about the project’s impact on the riparian and wooded habitat. This neighborhood is organized around a network of naturally forested ravines and those spaces are a highly valued asset. While, when taken individually, these areas might fall below the threshold for certain considerations and protections, they work together as a network to create a habitat that supports an amazing variety of wildlife for an urban neighborhood – and I do not believe we are out of place in asking for assurances that any development or construction protects, or enhances, what is there.

I wanted to take a liberty and add a “talking point” to your list. It’s related to your last point of “Neighborhood Cohesiveness.”

My concern is that the CHTII trail project represents a lot of money being spent in the neighborhood – that doesn’t fully support the activities and residents of that same neighborhood. I believe Mr. Thomas’s 8/31/14 email correctly observes that the trail will serve: “neighborhoods north of Rollins and west of Stadium.” While I am happy the trail will benefit some target audiences, I feel it is a large missed opportunity that the trail appears to be conceived of as a “recreational trail” only and does not connect – and thereby promote activity and alternative transportation to: Russell Elementary School, the Russell Elementary School sports fields and Kiwanis Park. It will connect to the South-West Swim Club and College Park Christian Academy – but children and neighbors east of the proposed trail will still depend on traveling on College Park Blvd to those destinations.

Thank you for your interest and attention to this matter. You, like so many of the neighbors who have lived here for several decades, truly care about the neighborhood – which is what makes it so wonderful for newer residents like myself.

Best,
Sara

Sara Loe
1900 Vassar
Columbia, MO 65203
loe.sara1@gmail.com
To Whom it May Concern:

I support the County House 2 Trail project. We are members of the Southwest Swim Club. This trail will make it much easier for my own children as well as others in my neighborhood to get to the swim club and other trails more easily.

Best regards,
Carol Burlis
504 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, MO 65203
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It is important for folks living further south to be able to safely travel to popular places like the Columbia Mall and the Farmers’ Market.

Signature:  
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To Whom it May Concern:

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Thank you for the opportunity to express my views.

Susan B Jones
2409 Lynnwood Dr.
Columbia MO 65203
I attended the public presentation of the plans and would like to voice my support for the trail extension. I use this access to the bike trail several times a week and find the hills to be the most dangerous part due to the grade and the traffic. It is particularly dangerous and hard for families with children I imagine. I hope the plan takes into account adjoining property owners’ concerns. So long as it does, I strongly support it.

Edward Brent
100 West Briarwood Lane
I am writing in support County House 2. I lived in that area for many years and always wished we’d had better access to the MKT trail. Since I’ve moved to another neighborhood the new trail has been built that now ends at Stadium and connects folks to the MKT. That’s great but extending it up to Rollins will be even better. People from all over the neighborhood and beyond will like it and use it. I’m also pleased that people living in areas that are more “central-city” can now have more convenient access to our wonderful trails. Thank you.

Mary Gay Stephenson
101 E. Spangler Lane
Columbia, MO 65201
"To whom it may concern"

This is to confirm that, I support the county house 2 trail project.

Thanks!

Ray Gardi
2261 Concordia Drive
Columbia, MO 65203
I would like to voice my support for the county house 2 trail project. I think it is a vital resource for members of our community who live in this area.
Thank you.
Lisa Gardi
2261 Concordia Dr.,
Columbia, MO 65203
Dear Mr. Buzyna,

I strongly support the County House Trail Phase 2 project as proposed. The hills in my neighborhood are a significant barrier to biking. Completion of the Phase 2 project would allow me and my family to access Columbia's wonderful trail system much more easily. Further, as members of Southwest Swim Club, we have no concerns about the trail coming too close to the club. In fact, my family would be much more likely to leave the car at home and walk or bike to the club if the Phase 2 project is completed.

Thanks very much for considering these comments.

Lorie Kaplan
606 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, MO 65203
To Whom It May Concern:

As a health educator for many years and now an RN-in-training, I have devoted my professional life to helping people get healthy and/or stay fit. Columbia’s network of trails has long proven to be exceptionally popular, attracting people of all ages, abilities and fitness levels. My husband and I are regular users and often see young children with their parents, learning to enjoy a fit lifestyle as well as adults struggling with obesity who have been drawn to a beautiful trail working to regain their health. Our network serves tens of thousands of citizens every year and offers its benefits and beauty to everyone else. As it grows it reaches closer and closer to more and more people. Convenient access to the network makes it more likely more people will use it more often and help to improve our overall community health. For that reason, I support network extensions including the County House 2 project. I prefer the newest option that moves the trail further away from the Southwest Swim Club and I’d urge careful attention to the type of bike/pedestrian crossing built at College Park and Stadium.

Stacia Reilly
504 W. Broadway
Columbia, Missouri
65203
From: Rick Hansen <rhrickhansen@gmail.com>
Date: Mon, Sep 8, 2014 at 5:34 PM
Subject: [PubW]: County House 2 trail
To: pub-w@gocolumbiaMO.com

Public Works:

I am very supportive of the City's effort to build a trail system throughout Columbia. I have used the trails many times to view nature while walking or riding on my bike.

I understand Columbia is considering a proposed extension titled County House 2 trail near Russell School. I support the County House 2 trail extension and continued efforts to connect the trail network into additional neighborhoods.

Thank-you

Rick Hansen
1416 Longwell Drive
Columbia, MO 65203
Public Works:

My family has used Columbia’s trail system, primarily for exercise and appreciating nature. I fully support the County House 2 Trail extension and continued efforts to connect the trail network into additional neighborhoods.

Thank-you

Paulette Hansen
From: Lonnie Hofmann <lonnie.hofmann@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Sep 4, 2014 at 9:56 PM
Subject: [PubW]: Support for County House Branch Trail Phase 2
To: pubw@gocolumbia.mo.com
Cc: Wendy Hofmann <whofmann@mohsu.com>

To whom it may concern,

I am writing to express my support for the construction of the County House Branch Trail Phase 2. I live in the neighborhood and will definitely use the trail frequently if it is constructed. Furthermore, I am a big proponent of the Columbia trail system in general and I fully support all efforts that aim to add to the existing trail infrastructure.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Lonnie R. Hofmann
102 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, MO 65203
I support the Columbia trail system and the extension of the County House trail from College Park and Stadium to Rollins Road. I favor the modified alignment proposed by Columbia Public Works at the last Interested Parties meeting which will cause the trail to be moved further away from the Southwest Swim Club. This extension will help many people avoid having to climb the College Park hill thus encouraging more people to bike for recreation and transportation.

John R. Jones
2409 Lynnwood Drive
Columbia, MO 65203
The purpose of this email is to provide support for the proposed County House 2 trail project. Construction of other similar trails in Columbia and Boone County have been very well received and have proven to be an asset to the community. Given the revisions to the original plan (to appease concerns of the SW Swim Club), it seems that major planning issues have been addressed. The construction of this trail should help to encourage more people to bike or walk for recreation and transportation.

John R. Dodam
7667 Rosadene Lane
Columbia, MO 65201
From: Michael Kaplan <michaelkaplanlcsw@gmail.com>
Date: Thu, Sep 4, 2014 at 11:03 PM
Subject: [PubW]: County House Trail Phase 2
To: pubw@nocolumbiasmo.com

TO: Sam Budzyna, E.I.T.
FR: Michael Kaplan
RE: County House Trail Phase 2

Dear Mr. Buzyna,

I strongly support the County House Trail Phase 2 project as proposed. As a 17-year resident of the neighborhood in question, I know this project would encourage more biking and walking by my family and my neighbors, while making the area an even more attractive place to reside. The steep hills around my home are a deterrent to biking, and the project would allow residents to bypass the most heinous hill on College Park Drive. My family and I have already made much use of the first phase of the County House Trail. Completing Phase 2 is the logical next step.

As for concerns about proximity to Southwest Swim Club, my family holds a membership at the club, and I have absolutely no concerns about noise or privacy resulting from the project. If anything, the project would encourage walking and biking to the club instead of driving.

Thank you very much for considering these comments.

Michael Kaplan
606 Longfellow Ln.
Columbia, MO 65203
michaelkaplanlcsw@gmail.com
573-579-9085

Michael Kaplan, LCSW
Licensed Clinical Social Worker
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Sincerely,

Rebecca O'Brien

8810 Tomlin Hill Rd.
Columbia, MO
65201

[Signature]
I am writing in support of the Columbia trail system, in general, and the extension of the County House trail (College Park and Stadium to Rollins) in particular. I support the modified alignment that moves the trail further away from the SW swim club.

We have begun a really outstanding bike and pedestrian trail system and should continue to add on to it. This extension will help many people avoid climbing the College Park hill and encourage more people to bike for recreation and transportation.

Thank You,
J. Sarah Myers
8810 S Tomlin Hill Rd.
Columbia, MO 65201
From: macklaird via PubW <PubW@gocolumbiaio.com>
Date: Wed, Sep 3, 2014 at 2:31 PM
Subject: [PubW]: County House Trail, Phase Two......Public Comment
To: "pubw@gocolumbiaio.com" <pubw@gocolumbiaio.com>

I am writing to endorse the expansion of the trail system in Columbia through the proposed County House Trail, phase two. As an enthusiastic user of the entire trail system of Columbia and the area, I have seen the benefit of having many alternatives and access points for the citizens of Columbia.

The area to be included in the Phase Two part of this project would add a scenic and safe option to persons wanting to connect with the MKT in the Twin Lakes area plus add to the availability for residents to bike north to Broadway, the ARC, and beyond. I believe this will be a positive route for members of the Southwest Swim Club, too.

The trail system of Columbia is admired by many when visiting our fine community. The trails contribute to the healthy lifestyle of Columbia and this phase will add to the essential core of our many bike paths.

I encourage the City of Columbia to complete this next phase of the County Branch Trail.

Regards,

Don Laird
1205 Larail Drive
Columbia, Missouri 65203
Hi,

I support the county house trail extension because college park Dr is a very steep hill and it is difficult for me to bicycle up the hill. I love flat trails :D

Thank you

Sincerely

Tharushi.
Greetings

I support the County House Trail extension because College Park Drive is a very steep hill and it is difficult for me to bicycle up the hill.

Alice Raphael K
Hi

I support the County House Trail extension which would bypass the 9% grade on College Park Drive. The steep hill poses a huge problem and its difficult for me to bike up the hill.

Nish
From: Allie Gassmann <alliegassmann@socket.net>
Date: Tue, Aug 26, 2014 at 10:15 PM
Subject: [PubW]: county house trail phase 2
To: pubw@gocolumbiamo.com

Hello!

I wasn't able to make the county house trail phase 2 open house tonight, but I wanted to let you know that I am in favor of the project as proposed. I would also support the alternate alignment, however I think the proposed alignment is the better one as it would avoid having to cross College Park and would avoid the driveway to the pool which can be pretty congested when there are cars parked there.

Thank you for your work on this - and I look forward to riding on the trail frequently once it is built!!

Allie Gassmann
1700 Princeton Dr.
Columbia, MO 65203

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On Wed, Aug 27, 2014 at 10:56 AM, Allie Gassmann <alliegassmann@socket.net> wrote:

Sam, and I forgot to tell you that we are long-time members of the South West Swim Association, and 2 of my kids were and are lifeguards there. (My third one will be a lifeguard in the years to come.) My husband, Walter, agrees with all that I have written you.

Thank you!

Allie
From: Walter Gassmann <gassmannw@socke1.net>
Date: Sat, Aug 30, 2014 at 2:49 PM
Subject: [PubW]: County House Trail Phase 2
To: pubw@docolumbiao.com

Hi,

We live at 1700 Princeton Drive, and are avid users of the new connector to the MKT trail. As a daily bike commuter I strongly support trail projects. I would have liked to attend the open house to hear your rationale for the proposed alignment. Because I couldn’t some of my opinions might be redundant.

Basically I find trails that are separate from roads much more attractive. In the case of phase 2 though I would like to see it being used by kids going to school at Russell. Crossing College Park is not ideal, and the trail would be perceived as a detour. It would be simpler and safer to have a pedway along College Park, in conjunction with the announced traffic calming measures (great news! please narrow College Park, some must be going 50 down that hill).

If this is considered anyway and the proposed phase 2 trail is in addition to a safe pedway along College Park, I fully support the proposed alignment (given the high speed on Stadium and how fast people turn off onto College Park I would favor the alternate route). I would assume that the proposed alignment is also designed to connect with a phase 3 north of Rollins, which a pedway on College Park would not do.

There might be a perception that there is opposition to a trail in our neighborhood. In talking to my neighbors I don’t think there is. There might be disagreement what the best alignment is, but this neighborhood really benefits from improved access to the trail system. Thank you for holding open houses and getting information out, and getting people on board.

All the best,
Walter Gassmann
1700 Princeton Drive
Columbia, MO 65203
To Columbia Public Works:

I am fortunate to live immediately adjacent to one of Columbia's newly opened trails and use it many times each week. It is essential to my health and well-being. Before this trail was opened, my family had limited access to the trail network and had to travel quite a distance to access it. Even then we were regular trail users. I love the convenience provided by the new trail and my personal use has increased. There have been no problems (such as litter, noise or threatening people) and I feel certain that it has actually increased the value of my home. It's kind of like living lakeside or on a golf course; a really nice amenity.

I support the continued development of the Columbia trail network and efforts to provide more convenient access, like I now have, to as many neighborhoods as possible. The County House 2 trail will do just that by reaching deeper into the city, bypassing a big hill and providing improved access to many people. I have a good friend that lives in a neighborhood near the terminus of the proposed County House 2 trail and it will make it more likely that I will bike to his house from mine.

The more people that bike and/or walk the better. The environmental, health and community-building benefits of our trail network are clearly understood. For these reasons, I support the County House 2 trail and urge you to build it according to the new alignment.

I would also urge you to be very surgical in the trail construction process and limit the impact of the work. I recall the work done near Chapel Hill when the first link of the County House was built. Seemed like the easement was far wider than needed and too many trees were removed. That causes consternation in the community even though some of it is unavoidable. The work done on the Scott's Branch Trail was done with far greater care. I hope that all trails will be built with that kind of caring spirit in the days to come.

Respectfully,

Terry Skinner
3716 Lansing Ave
Columbia, MO
I live on East Rockcreek Drive in Columbia and am 100% in favor of this trail extension. Extending trails increases the health of those who live nearby...residents of all ages. An extension of this particular trail helps those on bicycles avoid the steep grade of College Park Drive, which can be a little dangerous. A safer, off street trail is a better choice for everyone.

Susan McCullough
September 2, 2014

I am writing in support of the proposed County House 2 trail project. I prefer the revised trail alignment that will route the trail further away from the Southwest Swim Club affording the members decent privacy. I also urge that the trail have a dependable safety buffer built between it and Stadium. Further, the crossing at College Park and Stadium should be designed with maximum safety in mind as there are cars traveling at high speeds on Stadium which often rush through the intersection on yellow lights or even through red lights. Cars also often make right turns on red from Stadium onto College Park which can be very dangerous for a pedestrian or cyclist who is crossing. It would be far preferable if a tunnel were constructed at Stadium and College Park to connect to the currently built segment of the County House trail.

When built, this extension will bring the trail network closer to my home and will allow me to avoid climbing the College Park hill on return trips.

Thank you.

Rick Wise
208 Orleans Ct.
Columbia, Missouri
65203
Dear Sam,

Last week, we received a copy of the handout being used to solicit feedback about the proposed trail. We couldn’t tell what “option 1 and option 2” were from the maps included, but we want to voice our strong support of the building of this trail, whichever option is favored!

Sincerely,
Kristin Kopp
Robert Wilson
1001 Rollingwood Dr
Columbia 65203

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Kristin Kopp
Associate Professor of German
Director of Graduate Studies
University of Missouri, Columbia
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Comments: The City will have a very difficult time with property acquisition due to the swim club. I am a member of the swim club and this plan will adversely affect the privacy and seclusion of the club. As a swim club, it is our wish to add another pool. It also increases the risks to our children from public access to the public pool. The utility of this trail is also quite peculiar, as it is more space on the back of this form.

Signature: [signature]

Name: [Name]
E-mail/Telephone: [E-mail/Telephone]
Mailing Address: 2917 Benchline Dr.
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65207
T" very steep. So this will not improve accessibility for folks travelling east or west from the freeway. It would make it longer and more difficult. The City should consider starting the trail at College Park to Colley - perhaps cutting through Phoenix Park to connect to Jones. This will be less invasive to property owners and the south end.

The alternative is less invasive to the south end. It will also be less costly to the City or them is less property to acquire.

I am still not persuaded that this extension will ever be useful to the City or larger. I say this my a separate if the trail extends it might be better to use the MMUK to fund additional alternative Get About projects.

Also, the second IP Meeting was very well organized and staffed. Thank you.
Hi:

Thank you for having the second interested parties meeting at the ARC last evening regarding the County House Trail Phase II. I was able to attend the meeting, and am grateful to the City staff for having the meeting well-supplied with comment forms and well-staffed with helpful employees. I submitted hand-written comments at the meeting, but want to supplement them here.

UTILITY OF TRAIL EXTENSION: ENDS AT THE BOTTOM OF A STEEP HILL IN EAST AND WESTWARD DIRECTIONS, AND NORTHWARD ROUTE IS OBSCURE

My primary concern is with the utility of this trail extension. The trail extension will emerge at the bottom of a steep grade heading both east and west on Rollins Road. My only disappointment with the IP meeting is that staff was not prepared to answer questions about the grade on Rollins Road, instead urging that users of this proposed trail extension are expected to continue travelling northward on Rock Creek Road and Longfellow Road. I have ridden my bicycle through those neighborhoods, and the street layout is obscure, and there are some hills that pose mild challenges to cyclists within those neighborhoods. As there are no sidewalks through those neighborhoods, it may not be a safe path for wheelchair users to continue northwards.

I understand that the proposed trail is less steep than traversing College Park Road, but the grade on Rollins Road at the proposed terminal will substantially limit the utility of this trail extension.

For wheelchair users, the grade on Rollins where the proposed trail ends will be insuperable in either direction. Having traversed these hills on a bicycle with some frequency, I believe the Rollins Road grade in either direction is steeper than any section of College Park.

For bicycle users, if they are intending to travel eastward on Rollins, it will be less onerous to travel up College Park to Rollins (or to go around Kiwanis Park to Maplewood) than to use this proposed trail extension. If the bicyclists are intending to travel westward on Rollins, it may be less onerous to travel westward on Stadium, though Stadium Boulevard presents substantial safety concerns due to the speed and volume of traffic.

While I support the trail network, I do not want to see it expanded through areas with limited utility, as I believe the costs could be better spent on extending the network in areas with higher likelihood of increased use. One idea to try and gauge the potential for this trail extension, which I do not believe has yet been tried, is to have an interested parties meeting at Shelter Insurance Company regarding this proposed trail. I know that Shelter has a sizable number of employees, but I do not know where they live or whether they would be inclined to use this trail as an alternative to cars as a commuting option. There remain substantial safety concerns with crossing Broadway near Shelter’s headquarters (and the recent redesign of the intersection at Stadium and Broadway has amplified non-motorized traffic safety concerns there), but if a significant number of Shelter Insurance employees indicate a desire or willingness to use this trail extension as part of their commute, it could change my analysis of the utility of this trail extension. At present, though, I do not believe the costs of this trail justify the potential benefits.

IMPOSITION ON SOUTHWEST SWIM CLUB

Aside from its lack of utility, I am also concerned about the impact of this proposed trail extension on Southwest Swim Club. My family is a member of the Swim Club and my children enjoy the privacy and seclusion of the club environment. The preferred trail alignment presented at the Second Interested Parties meeting involves taking land from the Swim Club and creating a concrete public trail through the land. I believe this will adversely affect the value of swim club membership. If there are no fences between the trail and the swim club, it threatens the security as well as the privacy of swim club members.
While the utility concerns cited above remain paramount, the concerns relating to the swim club would lead me to recommend pursuit of the alternative presented at the second interested parties meeting — routing the initial portion of the trail extension up College Park. This would minimize the impact on the swim club, utilize existing surface streets, minimize disturbance of the woodlands near the stormwater drainage creek, and be much less costly for the City. For the reasons set forth above, I am still unconvinced that this trail extension has sufficient utility to justify the costs.

ANOTHER ALTERNATIVE: College Park/Through Kiwanis Park
The City should consider expanding the sidewalk up College Park on the east side of the street instead to extend the County House Trail to Rollins Road. This would have the added benefit of improving pedestrian traffic for families whose children walk to Russell Boulevard Elementary school. I think this would also have greater utility, as eastbound or northbound travelers could then travel safely to West Boulevard or Broadway along relatively straight and well-marked streets. Westbound travelers on Rollins would also have the benefit of the substantial downhill to assist in acceding the grade towards Stadium. Should the City want to route the trail through Kiwanis Park, which is south of Russell Boulevard Elementary, the trail could terminate at or near Manor Drive, which is already slated for pedestrian improvements (sidewalk, traffic calming).

Thank you for your service to Columbia.

Best regards,
Jeremy Root
2417 Beachview Drive
Mr. Budzyna,

My name is Darin Preis and I live at 4803 Chillton Ct. in Columbia. I jog and ride on the County House Trail fairly regularly and I am excited about the possibility of an extension. Phase II would give me an even better route for riding my bike to work. Unfortunately, I am unable to attend the upcoming information meeting but I wanted to get my support on record.

For the record, I support the County House Trail - Phase II as currently rendered (or the alternate).

Thanks to you and the City for our wonderful trail network and ped-friendly approach to quality improvements in our city.

Darin Preis, Executive Director
Central Missouri Community Action
807 B North Providence
Columbia, MO 65203

darin-preis@showmeaction.org

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September 1, 2014

To whom it may concern:

I live just above the proposed County House trail extension to Rollins Road. Just completed a bike ride where I went down Ash to downtown and then back west on the MKT to Twin Lakes Recreation Area and then on to the current stretch of the County House trail including the climb up the College Park hill, the only part of the trip that I do not enjoy. It is a very long climb and I always have to get off my bike and walk.

The current stretch of the County House is great as it has given us direct access to the MKT and the rest of the network. We had to travel quite a ways to reach the MKT in the past which was a disincentive for me. The proposed extension of the County House would improve things even more as it will allow me to avoid the College Park hill. In addition, College Park is a busy street, particularly during the school year.

We have lived on Longfellow Lane for more than 25 years and were members of the Southwest Swim Club for many of those as we raised three daughters who trekked up and down College Park to reach the club. This trail would be very nice for kids. We love the neighborhood and look forward to making it even better by extending convenient access to the Columbia trail network.

I support the County House extension and encourage its development. Please minimize the land disturbance in the process. Some trails I’ve seen being build were done in a very careful manner. I hope this one will be done in that manner.

Jane Cooper

500 Longfellow Lane

Columbia, MO
Dear Sam,
I have attended both of the interested party meetings for the proposed County House 2 trail, a planned extension of the County House trail. I live nearby and am intimately familiar with the area surrounding proposed trail. I support this extension for the following reasons:

1. Columbia's topography consists primarily of beautiful, rolling, tree-covered hills, and valleys. Development has thus-far, generally avoided the areas within the valleys where the creeks run. Because of this pattern we have been afforded the opportunity to create a remarkable nature trail system in the valleys, usually along the creeks. This system serves recreational, transportation and many other needs of Columbians. Beginning with the MKT trail in the 1970s our trail system has grown to the point that we have created a 13-14 mile system backbone that runs from the intersection of the KATY trail and the MKT trail along a southwest-to-northeast diagonal that will soon terminate at Clark Lane just north of I-70. With the unpleasant exception of the mile long stretch that currently runs up and down a huge hill along Old Highway 63 between Stadium and Bluffdale Dr., the backbone is quite level and provides easy access and use to people of all ages and abilities.

(Backbone: The 13-14 mile backbone begins at intersection of the KATY and the MKT to the Hinkson trail south of MU to Grindstone Park then north (currently along Old Highway 63 to the Moon Valley connector and on to the Hominy Branch trail to its future terminus at Clark Lane just north of I-70).

2. As the backbone has grown so has the ability to connect neighborhoods, workplaces and other important destinations to it yielding an ever-expanding system through backbone feeders. Many thousands of Columbia residents now live and work within a short distance from either a feeder or the backbone, itself. Like the backbone, feeder trails also typically follow the valleys and creeks and are usually quite level. They often lessen the need for people to traverse large hills in order to reach the backbone or simply create more convenient access to the backbone; either way, expanding overall access to the system. Some examples of feeders include:

- Grassland neighborhood connector
- South Garth neighborhood connector
- Forum Shopping Center connector
- Plantar Lane neighborhood connector
- Scott’s Branch Trail (connecting neighborhoods surrounding the Fairview Rd. area)
- MKT Trail from downtown to the Hinkson/MKT trail intersection
- Grindstone Trail
- MU Sports Park/MU Campus connector (MU Recreational Trail)
- UMC Drive neighborhood connector
- Arbor Drive neighborhood connector
- Country House Trail

3. The built leg of the County House Trail (referred to as County House Phase 1) is one of the best feeders in the system. It has greatly improved access to the MKT Trail (through Twin Lakes Park) for thousands of people who were previously required to use either Forum Blvd or Fairview to reach it. My family falls into this category as we live on the ridge/plateau near Russell Elementary School near the intersection of College Park and Rollins. Today, we ride our
bikes down the huge College Park hill and access the County House Trail at its base at Stadium and College Park. It is smooth sailing to the MKT but the return trip is very difficult as the College Park hill is approximately .5 miles long and quite steep. For those of us that live at the higher elevations this presents a significant disincentive.

4. The planned extension of the County House Trail (referred to as County House Phase 2) creeps up the outer reach of the valley hosting the full County House Trail. It skirts around the bottom of the College Park hill and emerges on Rollins near the end of that valley. The reduction in the required climb is substantial.

Approximately 500 homes located on the following streets will gain direct benefit as they sit on the higher elevations in the area. There are small hills that will still have to be negotiated in these areas but nothing like College Park hill. Eliminating the need to climb it is important. It will encourage more people to use the trail system for both recreation and transportation.

Bourn
Concordia
Loch Lane
Yale
Colgate
Harvard
Seymour
West Briarwood
East Briarwood
Ivy Way
West Rock Creek
Tipton Terrace
Rockingham
Longfellow
Russell
Oakwood Ct.
Sappington
Manor

Even streets further away such as those in the Clinkscales area and west of Bourn will benefit.

5. There are plans to continue a bike route north of the terminus of the County House Trail that will take it to the ARC and someday across I-70 to Cosmo Park and a connection to the Bear Creek Trail. This will likely take many years to accomplish but when we consider how far we’ve come since the earliest days of the MKT one can have confidence that we will slowly but surely get it done.

6. I believe that the trail system is the wonderful and essential core of our bicycle-pedestrian network and valuable community asset that sets us apart from other cities. Biking, walking or wheeling on our trails is always a life-affirming experience. It is a place that builds a very positive sense of community. It takes us on journeys through nature and gives us glimpses of
areas of Columbia’s natural beauty that we wouldn’t otherwise see and experience. It has and will cause more and more people to seek to protect those areas from further development or pollution. People protect the things they love. People love our trail system and the beautiful areas that surround it.

The County House Trail leverages our trail system in the best way possible as it greatly improves the access for at least another one thousand citizens. To me that is a very good thing.

Sincerely,

Chip Cooper
500 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, MO 65203

P.S. My family was a member of the Southwest Swim Club for many years when our three daughters were growing up. We would have felt very good about the prospects of them using the trail to reach the club compared to biking along College Park had the option been there in those days.
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Comments: I look forward to using this trail! My only concern is the intersection of College Park and Stadium. It would have to be very well marked with a full service pedestrian crossing for safety.

(P.S. My son and husband support this trail as well.)

Signature: Wendy Hofmann

Name: Wendy Hofmann
E-mail/Telephone: 102 Longfellow Ln Columbia 65203
Mailing Address: 102 Longfellow Ln Columbia 65203
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203
This is to let you know that I strongly support the proposed extension of the County House Branch Trail.

Sincerely,
Steve Hofmann
102 Longfellow Lane
Columbia, MO 65203
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Comments: see attached

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Name: ____________
E-mail/Telephone: ________________

Mailing Address: 2401 Lynnwood Dr.
City: Columbia
State: MO Zip: 65203
I am submitting comments as a resident of the 5th ward and as a member of the PedNet board of directors. As a very frequent user of the trail system, including the County House Trail, I would submit that based on my experience the extension as proposed is very much needed to improve safety and accessibility at the Stadium Blvd terminus. It is very dangerous to enter and exit the trail on a bicycle as cars turn north on College Park at a high rate of speed. Extending the trail would allow much safer access to Rollins Av. which serves as an arterial pedway.

I would add that my child attends Russell Blvd Elementary School and I would very much like for him to be able to bike to school. He has relatively safe routes all the way but I would be very concerned about his exiting the terminus of the County House trail as is. The proposed extension would allow him to directly access his school on a very safe route.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments and for your excellent work.
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Comments:
Reducing the hills there will be a huge improvement.
It will reduce the need for going around the hills
And biking along W. Broadway How Russell.

Signature: 

Edward Brent

Name: Edward Brent
E-mail/Telephone: brent@missouri.edu

100 W. Broadway Ln.
Columbia, MO 65203

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I want to express support for this project. Since we live in the neighborhood (E Rockcreek), having this will not only add value to our area, it will provide a safe option for my family to access the trail. The current bike lanes on College Park Dr suffice in lieu of an alternative trail; however, the speed in which cars travel (both ways) makes it too dangerous for children to use it. Having the trail extension will improve safety for accessing the main trail. I believe there is also a larger benefit to expanding the trail. The trail system and the philosophy of having this type of city asset is one of the top reasons we chose to move to Columbia. As we expand the trail, this is making a larger statement that a safe, environmentally friendly infrastructure is important to the values of Columbia. Finally, I understand that some neighbors are opposed to the expansion due to concerns about the potential for criminals and other "threats" to have new access to our neighborhood. In my eight years of running and biking on the trail, I have never encountered anyone that I would deem a "threat" or have heard of any direct crime (e.g. home break-in) that has occurred due to access via the trail. Also, I have never met someone who has complained about owning a home with close access to the trail. In fact, it seems that it's often cited as a selling point in real estate listings. Please feel free to contact me if I need to clarify further or need to provide any additional information, etc. Thank you.

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Comments: I RIDE MY BIKE ALL OVER COLUMBIA, INCLUDING THE AREA SURROUNDING THE PROPOSED TRAIL. THIS WILL PROVIDE A MUCH-NEEDED ALTERNATIVE TO BIKING UP THE GIANT HILL ON COLLEGE PARK.

Signature: ____________________________

Noah Medling
Noah@noahmedling.com

1711 CANIFF CIR APT 7A
COLUMBIA, MO 65201

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Comments: Connecting South Columbia with the Central City is something that needs done. Bike lanes are great but trails are better suited for more people to use. I support this project because it creates more connectivity, connects South to Central and will have a positive impact on households near the trail.

Signature: [Signature]

Name: Brent Kessel
E-mail/Telephone: brent.kessel@gmail.com
Mailing Address: 4500 Forum Blvd
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203

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Comments: Sounds great. Well definitely use it. Well organized, clear presentation.
I prefer the trail around the pool rather than the one down the street.

[Signature]

Name: Barbara Bauer
Mailing Address: 1046 Lagrange Ct
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203

E-mail/Telephone: [Redacted]

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Comments: This project will benefit most the most vulnerable users of our trail network and unlike other options would be a usable and welcoming route for people with disabilities the elderly, children, weaker bike riders. It's a matter of safety access for a vital user group. There is more space on the back of this form.

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Signature: Jon Kruze

Name  E-mail/Telephone
2261 NE Shepard Rd  Columbia
Mailing Address  City  State  Zip
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Comments:

connect, connect connect

Circle Columbia like Decorah IA,
make it a destination.

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Signature: [Signature]

Name: Kevin Bean
E-mail/Telephone: Levinrenne@msn.com

Mailing Address: 4401 Wellbrooke Ct (Columbia MO 65203)

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Comments: I strongly support this project. As the new alignment shows I believe it will be a huge benefit to the residents of our neighborhood and add a connector to the overall system.

Signature: [Signature]

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[Address]
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[City] Columbia
[State] MO
[Zip] 65203

[Phone] E-mail/Telehone: [Redacted]

[Date] [Redacted]
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Comments:
I SUPPORT THE PROJECT AND THINK ITS A WONDERFUL AMENITY!
I PREFER THE ON STREET ALTERNATE ALIGNMENT BUT SUPPORT EITHER PROPOSAL. GREAT PROJECT

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Signature: [Signature]

E-mail/Telephone: UNCLECHUSTE@GMAIL.COM

Name: [Name]
Mailing Address: 1901 Princeton Dr.
City: Columbia
State: MO
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Comments: I support the project completely.
The project adjoins my property

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Signature: [Signature]

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1906 Princeton Dr.

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Comments: College Park is a ridiculously steep hill and really hard to climb in hot days. It's hard to climb on cold days too.

I prefer the “preferred” route because the alternate route still has a small climb during. It's not a huge climb, it's dumb to climb a bit only to go back down.

Signature: [Handwritten Signature]

Name: Rachel Rublen
Mailing Address: 103 Longfellow Ln
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203
E-mail/Telephone: [Redacted]
I support the extension of County House Trail. Last week I led a dozen riders on a very hot day with Trevor Harris around Columbia on the History Tour. The ride is for intermediate bicyclists. It was a very hot day and coming up College Park Dr several of our riders walked their bikes. After the next point of interest, about half of the riders left. One in particular was feeling pretty bad because of the hill and the heat.

The 9% grade of College Park Dr is insurmountable for beginning cyclists and many intermediate cyclists.

Rachel
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Comments: I often use this route as a connection between my house on the MKT and the ABC/Farmers Market. Anything that helps take out the lanes helps move more and get to the store. Also, we have been close enough to 300 swim club that we would have joined it when our kids were home if they could have gotten there safely on bikes.

Signature: Ellen Thomas

Name: Ellen Thomas
E-mail/Telephone: ellen.thomas@comcast.net

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City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203
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Comments: We all see with hindsight that well-planned, well-sited trails like this one add value for neighborhoods and the city as a whole.
No project will please everyone in the moment, but precedent is that most will be pleased ultimately.

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Signature: [Signature]

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Comments: In general, I prefer if the property is avoided in these projects. However, I see no way to avoid this at the north end (Rollins Rd.)

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Signature: ______________________

Rob Hill

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E-mail/Telephone

Robh010@countrylink.net

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65202

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Comments for IP Meeting: County House Trail Phase 2

Tuesday, August 26, 2014

This is an excellent project and should be built.

Benefits:

1. Significantly extend and add to Columbia’s very popular non-motorized trail system.
2. Connect neighborhoods and add a valuable link in a proposed route between the MKT trail and the ARC and Parade.
3. Has to potential is increase non-motorized transportation in Columbia.
4. Provide safe, comfortable and beautiful neighborhood walking and cycling opportunities for neighborhoods to the east, west and north of the proposed trail (there is an existing muddy dirt rutted lane caused by no telling what located about where the trail is planned and there and there is evidence of paths from the neighborhoods to what is there now).
5. Help make up for the lack of sidewalks on the West side of College Park and many of the nearby neighborhoods.
6. Provide a bypass to the Rollins/College Park hill for many walkers and bicyclists.
7. Add significant value to the already popular County House Trail Phase 1.
8. Be nearly all built on city street right of way that already exists.
9. Provide to the neighborhoods all of the health, social, safety, increased property value, and general quality of life benefits trails have been proven to provide.
10. Complies with the long standing master trail planning and prioritizing process.

Objections that I have hearthe switchbacks Iplanned d and my responses:

1. Takes too much South West Swim Club Property and goes too close to the pool and tennis courts, thus interfering with privacy.
   a. Under the original plan the trail did pass through a significant amount of SW Swim Club property and close to the pool and tennis courts. Under the revised plan that is no longer the case. The new preferred route trail would be across the creek and be much farther from the pool and courts and other improvements. It offers advantage to the club as the trail provides new access for neighbors to the club. I don’t see how that objection has merit under the new plan.
   b. There is some irony here. There is no sidewalk on the west side of College Park, so the trail would provide the only walking path directly to the pool. As it is now,
c. Most of the members of the swim club living in the neighborhood probably feel the necessity to drive to the club to engage in activity, when the trail would provide an inviting active transportation alternative.

d. The Club will be entitled to monetary compensation for any property used for trail easement.

2. Will destroy neighbors’ privacy.
   
a. There are very nice homes in the adjoining neighborhoods, but those on the edge of the valley with the trail are nearly all situated at least as far back and probably farther back than homes adjacent to other Columbia trails and as the University of Missouri study of the MKT trail shows the residents are not finding the privacy issue to be a significant problem and in fact enjoy being near enough that they can use it on a regular and convenient basis.

3. The club will have a parking problem caused especially by people using the Swim Club parking lot as a trail parking lot.
   
a. Of course there could be some problems, but serious problems are unlikely and can be dealt with short of not building the trail
      
i. Experience on other trail access points in Columbia neighborhoods has shown only minor problems. Examples include the Garth extension, Hillshire, and Lake Shore. None has had serious problems.
      
ii. It is unlikely that people who drive to a trail will want to start at the swim club because there are better places for them to start, such as Twin Lakes and Forum Boulevard, both of which have adequate parking.

iii. In the unlikely event, that a problem arises, it can be controlled by posting the parking lot as private property for members only and not available for trail use, and even having members’ parking decals, etc.

4. Will lead to too much noise. There will, no doubt, be some increase in noise from users, but as the MKT trail study shows it is not the problem people imagine that it would be.

5. Costs too much money should be used for other purposes.
   
a. It is federal money that is to be used exclusively for non-motorized transportation purposes and there has been a lot of professional and community input into planning and prioritizing the routes to build. Many other projects have been considered and many have been and are being built and planned.

b. This project has been on the master trails plan and has been considered a priority for years.

6. The rise at the North (Rollins) end is too great and planned switchbacks take too much land and have too large an impact on the adjacent homes.
   
a. This to me was the most compelling argument, until I viewed the property. The steep rise necessitating the switchbacks is a result of the unfortunate way Rollins was built on fill that was allowed to block the valley. The sides of the Rollins fill are exceedingly steep making the property basically useless. The house on the East has fenced off the area with opaque wood fence and the house on the West
is suitably far enough away. The steep slope blocks practical access to the valley preventing the neighbors, or anyone else, from enjoying it. The work on the trail switch backs will be coordinated with work to replace the storm drain pipe under Rollins, so construction on the hill side will occur with or without the trail being built, but the trail will make the area usable. The MKT study shows that nearly all of the neighbors love living by the trail because they use it. This improvement will give the neighbors access to a wonderful walking and cycling path in an area extremely short of sidewalks and good places to walk.

b. The rise on the trail actually is much less than the rise on College Park. The entrance to the trail avoids the walk or ride from either the north or the south to the top of the College Park hill. Unnecessary hill climbing is a significant barrier to both walking and bicycling. Since the overall purpose of the Get About projects is to increase mode shift from cars to non-motorized transportation, removing or reducing the unnecessary College Park/Rollins hill climb is an important positive. Surprisingly the elevations chart at the IP meeting shows that the maximum climb gradient on the trail, even at the north end is reduced to 4% on the proposed trail.

Summary. The community wide and neighborhood benefits are many. The objections, in general, are understandable but are the same as seem to always come up when a trail is proposed in a neighborhood. Many other trails in Columbia have been built over such objections and the result has as far as I know always been a turn around and acceptance, and in fact and embracing of the trail. There is nothing exceptional in this case that should keep the trail from being approved with the evidence based expectation that the benefits to the community will far outweigh any actual detriment to a few.

Darwin Hindman
dhindman@centurytel.net
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**Comments:** I strongly support this project! This area of town has been lacking access to alternative transportation for years (trail/biking). I would love to be able to ride my children from where I live to the ARC but the current barrier of college park prevents me from doing so.

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Comments: I support alternate alignment

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Signature: Tim Overseiner
Name
1300 Garden Ct
Mailing Address
E-mail/Telephone
City
State
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TimC@W.com

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Comments:

I am supportive of the city’s efforts to improve walking and cycling for everyone

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Name:  
E-mail/Telephone:  
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Comments: As a landowner adjacent to the trail, I absolutely support the trail (all trails) as proposed. I prefer the current project route. I believe it will be safer and more relaxing for all parties and appreciate the same. I would urge the landowners to order up a more practical line. Thank you City staff for all your hard work.

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Signature: [Signature]

Name: Scott Lincoln
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Comments: I am very supportive of this route. I commute weekly on the MRT and frequently go up these 3 hills on College Road. This would be a safe + beautiful addition to the trail system.

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Signature: _____________________________

Name: Dennis Murphy

Email/Telephone: murphy.4j@mizzou.edu

Mailing Address: 208 S. Garth

City: Columbia

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Comments: As a member of the swim club, I am concerned about the impact the trail will have on our property. The current proposed route takes "trail goers" through our quiet, family oriented pool. Additional cars wanting to use our parking lot as a access points brings usage of a private facility into community hands. I would like to see negotiation for these points of impact.

Signature: Kevin Pace

[Signature]

Kevin Pace kepace@columbia.k12.mo.us
400 Staley Drive Columbia MO 65203

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Comments: As the property owner whose driveway was the former “preferred route,” I’m obviously relieved by the new configuration. I also appreciate that this shouldn’t, ideally, make the swim club the loser (especially if they’re compensated), since the route has been moved to the other side of the creek. I’m not looking forward to construction, but I think I can live with this.

Signature: Karen Paslay
E-mail/Telephone: kmpasley@gmail.com

Name: Karen Paslay
Mailing Address: 1015 College Park Drive, Columbia
City: Columbia
State: MO
Zip: 65203
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Comments: Modified route (blue) is better but I still feel this is an unnecessary project. College Park Drive is well traveled as a bike trail right now. Spend the money where it is needed.

Signature: ________________________________

Name: ___________________________ Email/Telephone: ___________________________

Mailing Address: 1015 College Park Dr. City: Columbia, MO 65201 State: Zip: 65201

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**Comments:**

I think this will be very beneficial for families to increase their access to the trail system without having to ride/walk along a fast moving road with poor sidewalks.

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**Signature:**

Michelle Windmoeller

**Name**

**E-mail/Telephone**

705 E Rockcreek Dr

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Comments: My personal view: Project is un-needed. The bike lanes on College Park are just fine to use. Redirect the funding to new park acquisitions or other projects.
My view as a Southwest Swim Club Board member: This project materially changes the look and feel of the club and potentially carries financial perils. I say “No”.

Signature: [Signature]

Name: [Name] E-mail/Telephone: [E-mail/Telephone]
Mailing Address: 1702 Oakwood Ct, Columbia, MO 65203
City: Columbia State: MO Zip: 65203

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Comments:  

PLEASE BUILD THE BRIDGE ACROSS TD!! There has been very limited investment in ward 2. A bridge would allow for safer commuting in addition to recreational use.

Signature:  

Pamela B. Spencer  
spencerpam50@gmail.com

Name  
E-mail/Telephone

2215 Hilsboro  
City

State  
Zip

Mailing Address

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I know the bridge is an expensive project but saving $500 odd here and there would get that bridge built!

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Comments: I am a member of Southwest Swim Club. With concerns about the impact of the proposed trail on our property value as well as our full use and enjoyment of our amenities (swimming, creek, tennis, etc) I will look forward to the accommodation to be offered for our easement.

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Signature:  KATE HARRY

Kate Harry  E-mail/Telephone
KHarry @ socket. net

Name  Mailing Address
502 S Glenwood  Columbia
Columbia  MO  65203

City  State  Zip
Ken Dunn I probably won't be home until after 22:00, but I'd be happy to give you my proxy as an avid cyclist who thinks this is an unwise use of scarce resources. I just can't get past the fact that the entrance at your house/swim club as well as the one at the bottom of the Rollins hill are both *dangerous and difficult for bicycles.* I rode that route every day for years and shudder to think about coming down that hill, trying to stop, and then crossing the street. Ditto for trying to start pedaling at the bottom of that hill. Ditto for crossing College Park in a northbound/uphill direction.
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Comments: This Phase 2 Trail Route is stupid - behind the homes - in a waterway that floods a lot. Improve the sidewalks on College Park instead - they are so cracked people trip & fall. I sprained my ankle walking on them. It is a more lighted area on the street.

Signature: J. Patterson

Janelle Patterson

1917 VASSAR

State Zip

E-mail/Telephone

165203
Have the trail cross @ Stadium & College Park where cars are parking is very much a safety issue.

Children will not use this path to get to school - it will be too isolated.

Stop this stupidity - we have enough trails.
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Comments: My only concern is the intersection @ College Park and Stadium. Crossing this intersection will be difficult and dangerous unless some alternative arrangement is made.
Otherwise I'm TOTALY in favor of the proposed route.

[Additional comments]

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Name: Joe R. Silby  fattiredbiker @ socket.net
Y: 1105 S. Glenwood Ave  Columbia  MO 65203
Mailing Address: City State Zip
1. Have dates changed or has it been pushed back to
2. Let's move trail to College Park?
3. Define stream type (type III)
4. Why isn't an environmental impact report required for the extent of cut + fill + presence of this project
5. While College Park is an existing platte community, its streams deserve to be protected + evaluated by current standards for new communities
6. Is it a trail or a road
"10. Does the renewed funding kick-in environmental impact report?"
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Comments: As the president of the Board of Southwest Swimming Association, we appreciate the city's efforts to provide accessible trails for Columbia. The current proposal crosses a large portion of property held by SWUSA, which is a private membership organization. We have concerns about the impact on the full use and enjoyment of our property. The easement would obviously impact the

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value of the pool’s property. In addition the addition of the trail will have an impact on our private parking lot as it is used as a trail head. Aside from Turn Lakes this would be the only parking lot area in proximity to the trail. We thank the city for the opportunity to participate in the process and look forward to continued communication regarding this project.
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Comments: A lot of people are against this trail for unjustified reasons that have been proven time and time again to never materialize. It is my hope that the city council can hear above the noise these individuals are making and remember the great benefit this trail will provide for the community. It is long over du
d it was long overdue.

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Lawrence Simonson

2706 Hillshire

Columbia, MO 65203

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Trail access for transportation but also
links/opens up our entire trail system
to allow access for everyone to travel
around Columbia by bike in a safe and
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Lea Langdon
I like the idea of the trail as proposed... more level than College Park, more nature based... with some concerns about effects on the stream & wildlife.

I want you to also consider a trail connection from College Park & Stadium east towards the path & road at the Forest & Stadium intersection so someone could walk or bike east to West Blvd & Westwinds or somehow all the way to the MKT trail.
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Comments: As a regular user of Columbia's trails, I appreciate the value of making trails close to more people. I am glad the city is prioritizing projects I would focus on Old 63 to MIU. I object this project. As a Southwest Swim Club board member, I can see that a few users might appreciate a nearby trail. I have some concerns that the trail might expose the west side of the pool.

Signature: Sam Phillips

Name: Sam Phillips  
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State: MO  Zip: 65203
area too much. Pool users I enjoy their privacy. Although I heard the arguments I remain concerned about the bike at pet crossing clause to stadium - because of the speed of stadium traffic turning onto College Park.

As a steward of the Swim Club property value, the board is obligated to make sure that the membership (owners) property value is fully compensated. The board and the City decide that a 20 feet goes through our property. I hope we can reach a fair agreement. We will have to oppose it if we aren't convinced that the property is to purchase an easement is adequate. Also, we may have to discuss green barriers to protect privacy. Obviously, we will have to be assured that the creek will be protected.

We want to remain informed and are willing to listen to proposals, questions, ideas, etc. Please stay in communication with us.
I would like to see the proposed option B as well as option C to offer more non-motorized accessibility for residents.
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Comments: I THINK A LOT OF PEOPLE NORTH AND SOUTH OF STADIUM WILL TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS TRAIL. HOUSES ALONG HAVE DEEP LOTS, STILL FEEL PRIVACY WILL REMAIN. I THINK THIS WILL OPEN UP TRAIL NETWORK TO MORE PEOPLE IN THE OLD SOUTH WEST. (COVER)

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Because there is already a utility easement, I think there will be minimal impact that already has happened. I think this will increase alternative modes of transportation to Southwest Swim Club.
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Comments: I ride my bike through this area all the time. I support this phase as proposed. ☒ ☐ ☒ I currently go down Cooper Park drive to access the county house trail. I catch it at the MKT to get to work every morning. As it currently is, it scares me to ride down the hill then have to cross to the other side of the road to catch the trail. There are several cars whip out of Stadium and come near to hitting me. If I could come up to that intersection from the direction E... could see coming traffic better. It would... There is more space on the back of this form.

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