

Legislation Text

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Title:

Public Hearing - Naming of Clark's Creek Greenway Trail to "Barry Gullet Trail on Clark's Creek Greenway"

Summary

ACTION:

1. Open the public hearing on the request to name a section of Clark's Creek Greenway to "Barry Gullet Trail on Clark's Creek Greenway"

2. Close the public hearing and approve the naming as presented, "Barry Gullet Trail on Clark's Creek Greenway"

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Presentation: No

BACKGROUND/JUSTIFICATION:

Barry Gullet retired from the City of Charlotte on January 1, 2018 after a 39-year career at Charlotte Water (formally Charlotte-Mecklenburg Utility Department). After serving several roles, he became the Director of the Department in 2010. He was involved in many projects which later became routes for greenways. Barry has collaborated with Mecklenburg County and Charlotte Water staff to route greenway trails through the complexities of large wastewater treatment plant sites and along sewer easements for several years resulting in several miles of greenway. He and his family are frequent users of Clark's Creek and other greenways.

Barry served many scouts as a merit badge counselor and introduced many scouts to cycling on greenways. He led scouts on projects such as Big Sweep, to clean shore lines and planting trees to improve the City watershed for drinking water. He helped build a strong relationship between the City and Mecklenburg County. He has been a leader in numerous environmental initiatives serving as liaison for government programs, including development of the SWIM (Storm Water Management and Improvement buffers) and several professional organizations (see application).

Barry is the recipient of local, state and national awards including the Order of the Long Leaf Pine awarded by Governor Roy Cooper on behalf of the State of North Carolina, George Warren Fuller Award by the American Water Works Association and the Arthur Sidney Bidell Award by the Water Environment Federation and many others (see application).

This naming application was endorsed by the Greenway Advisory Council on June 11, the North Region Advisory Council on June 11 and the Park and Recreation Commission on June 12.

PROCUREMENT BACKGROUND: N/A

POLICY IMPACT: N/A

FISCAL IMPACT: N/A