

IN THE COUNTY LEGISLATURE OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSOURI

A RESOLUTION approving the Blue River Parkway Master Plan.

RESOLUTION NO. 21107, November 28, 2022

INTRODUCED BY Tony Miller, County Legislator

WHEREAS, the Blue River Parkway is a Jackson County linear park located along the Blue River; and,

WHEREAS, the Parks + Rec Department has worked over the past year to develop a new Master Plan for the parkway; and,

WHEREAS, the plan documents the park's high value to the community as a place for recreation, enjoyment, and wellness, while recognizing the incredible natural resources that are protected within the park's boundaries; and,

WHEREAS, the citizens of Jackson County, stakeholders, and everyday park users were engaged to provide input and feedback that were included among the goals and priorities for the park's future development; and,

WHEREAS, stakeholder focus groups and public meetings were hosted across the Blue River watershed, over 800 responses were received from an online and written needs assessment survey, and a project website was launched to provide project information and solicit additional input;

and,

WHEREAS, the proposed Master Plan includes protecting the park in perpetuity as a recreational and open space asset, increasing visibility, use, accessibility, and inclusiveness through new partnerships and engagement programs, restoring natural areas, and making key capital improvement investments to extend the trails network and improve recreational facilities and amenities; and,

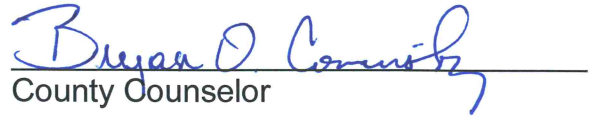
WHEREAS, implementation of these goals and priorities will be pursued through new grants, collaborations, and partnerships with the many stakeholders who share the County's vision to protect and improve the parkway for generations to come; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the County Legislature of Jackson County, Missouri, that the attached Blue River Parkway Master Plan be and hereby is approved.

Effective Date: This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon its passage by a majority of the Legislature.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Chief Deputy County Counselor


County Counselor

Certificate of Passage

I hereby certify that the attached resolution, Resolution No. 21107 of November 28, 2022, was duly passed on December 5, 2022 by the Jackson County Legislature. The votes thereon were as follows:

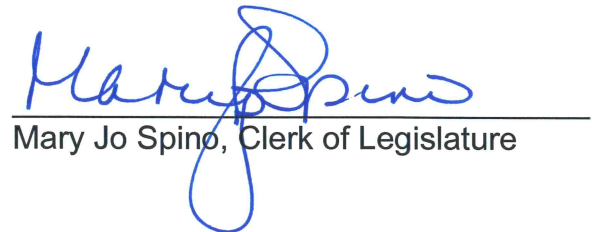
Yeas 9

Nays 0

Abstaining 0

Absent 0

12/5/2022
Date


Mary Jo Spino, Clerk of Legislature