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TO: Parks and Recreation Committee

FROM: Dean R. Gazza

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RE: Action: Request Approval of Trails Master Plan

On December 12, 2016 Alta Planning and Design presented the Trails Master Plan to the Parks and Recreation Committee. The request for approval was held for changes to be made on maps and narrative added to address concerns. All changes and additions have been made, the revised Trails Master Plan is included for review and approval.

The 2016 Capital Improvement Plan includes funding for the development of a Trails Master Plan. The City has contracted with Alta Planning and Design from Seattle, Washington. Alta coordinated with SEH and the Community and Economic Development Department to gather public input, comments, and recommendations. Public informational meetings were held and an online survey was available for submitting comments.

A steering committee was assembled to further assist with the development of the Trails Master Plan that consisted of members from the Greenways, East Central Regional Planning Commission, Fox Cities Cycling Association, Lawrence University, Fleet Feet, Riverview Gardens, Fox River Navigational System Authority, City of Appleton Residents, and City Staff. The Appleton Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee was also involved throughout the process.

The Trails Master Plan includes a trails conditions audit, existing conditions report, project prioritization, project development, implementation, budgeting, preliminary engineering of priority projects, and the public involvement process.

The Parks, Recreation, and Facilities Department has been amazed with the scores of public comments and professionalism and attention to detail that Alta has provided to the City throughout the process.

Please contact me at 832-5572 or at dean.gazza@appleton.org with any questions.