

**R-FY-06-  
RESOLUTION CREATING THE  
GREENWAYS AND PATHWAYS  
CORRIDOR COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, Montgomery County's 2025 Comprehensive Plan recognizes the six villages of Belview, Elliston/Lafayette, Plum Creek, Price's Fork, Riner, and Shawsville as being separate and distinct from each other and from nearby towns, serving as focal points for surrounding rural areas; and

WHEREAS, The County's Planning Department and Parks and Recreation Department are working together to incorporate greenway and pathway planning and design within the village planning process; and

WHEREAS, The benefits of this plan will be to link local resources within the villages together by pathways thus reducing the amount of vehicular traffic and commuter trips to and from neighborhoods, and allowing for higher density and more efficient land use by reducing auto-oriented suburbanization in the County; and

WHEREAS, The Board of Supervisors desires to create the Greenways and Pathways Corridor Committee as an advisory board commissioned to work with the Montgomery County Planning Commission and the Parks and Recreation in conjunction with the comprehensive village planning process to identify future greenway corridors and pathways within each village, which will link community resources.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County, Virginia hereby establishes the Greenways and Pathways Corridor Committee, to be composed of nine (9) voting members and one (1) liaison member from the Town of Blacksburg, and one (1) liaison member from the Town of Christiansburg, to be appointed by the Board of Supervisors as follows:

- 1 member of the Board of Supervisors
- 1 member of the Parks and Recreation Commission
- 1 member of the Planning Commission
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Belview
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Elliston/Lafayette
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Plum Creek
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Price's Fork
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Riner
- 1 citizen member representing the Village of Shawsville
- 1 liaison member representing the Town of Blacksburg
- 1 liaison member representing the Town of Christiansburg

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Citizen appointments will be advertised, the Blacksburg Town Council and the Christiansburg Town Council will be requested to make a recommendation for appointment of liaison members to represent their respective Towns.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the appointed term for each member shall be three (3) years, or until such time that the elected official or appointed official leaves office. A vacancy caused by resignation or an elected or appointed official leaving office shall be filled by the Board of Supervisors in the same manner as the original appointment except that the term of office shall be restricted to the unexpired term of office.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the purpose of the Greenways and Pathways Corridor Committee is to serve as an advisory board to the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors and work in conjunction with the comprehensive village planning process to:

- identify future greenway corridors and pathways within each village
- develop trail and greenway standards to be applied in all future projects
- act as a project review committee for the planning commission when projects involve greenways and trails
- identify routes for linking villages to other villages and regional resources
- identify availability of resources and schedule for project implementation

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That bylaws established for the Greenways and Pathways Corridor Committee shall be approved by the Board of Supervisors, and any amendments to the bylaws must be approved by the Board of Supervisors prior to going into effect.

ISSUE/PURPOSE:                      Establish Greenways and Pathways Corridor Committee.

JUSTIFICATION:                      This committee would work in conjunction

with the village planning process to design and recommend greenway and pathways within specified village areas. The main focus of the committee will be the outlying areas of the county and the villages. The towns already have their own plans and this group will work with those plans and their organizations to make sure that plans compliment each other. The Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution on February 28, 2005 authorizing submission of an application for \$72,000 to the Virginia Department of Transportation for Alternative Transportation Grant funds which will be used for the detailed conceptual design of alternative transportation routes within the village areas as well as linking villages to each other.