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Charge to Parks & Rec Advisory Board to Investigate Feasibility of Horse Trails

In accordance with Strategic Plan Goal 1.2.4, the Oak Ridge Town Council asks that the Town's Parks & Recreation Advisory Board investigate the feasibility of including horse trails on the Whitaker property. Utilizing multiple outside resources and research as needed, Council asks the Board to make a recommendation to Town Council by June 30, with information on the following, as well as any additional information it believes is relevant:

- Explore whether there is a possible placement of horse trails on the Whitaker property that would be compatible with other park uses, including planned pedestrian trails and open space, as well as with surrounding properties and roadways.
- If appropriate, make recommendations regarding the following:
 - o Proposed surface for possible horse trails, with information on estimated costs for construction and annual maintenance;
 - o Possible placement, design, proposed materials, and estimated costs for a parking area to accommodate horse trailers;
 - o Any proposed limitations, guidelines, or other steps needed to ensure safety for park users, as well as safety for surrounding properties and roadways;
 - o Possible timing for the construction of a proposed trail; and
 - o Potential funding and grant sources for the construction and maintenance of a possible trail.
- Overall recommendation regarding the feasibility of horse trails and, if appropriate, their recommended priority within the context of the current park master plan.