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# NEW MOUNTAIN BIKING TRAIL SYSTEM EYED FOR MARCELLA VIVRETTE SMITH PARK IN BRENTWOOD

Local volunteer community group Bike Walk Brentwood (BWB) and nonprofit Citizens for Brentwood Green Space (CBGS) announced a new partnership at Monday night's City Commission meeting to evaluate and promote the development of a new mountain biking system at Marcella Vivrette Smith Park.

With the growing popularity of trails in Williamson County, the two groups announced they are teaming up to underwrite a study, contracting with Rock Solid Trail Contracting, to evaluate, design and build Brentwood's first mountain bike trail in the popular park off Wilson Pike.

"Our goal is to provide the community with more outdoor recreation outlets" said Matt Robertson, a park advocate and BWB member. Added CBGS President Gil Hutchinson "At 400 acres, Marcella Vivrette Smith Park is Brentwood's largest park and the "crown jewel" in the park system. We are excited about this new partnership and the prospect of seeing this new amenity offered to our residents".

This new outdoor recreation amenity will serve the surrounding neighborhoods and the city of Brentwood. The trails will also allow the Brentwood High School and Middle School Mountain Bike League teams to thrive by providing a local practice and training location. "A few potential options were considered for accessing the mountain bike area. One option quickly rose above the rest. This option maintains full user segregation. After presenting this option to the Parks Board, we were given approval in concept to start working on a detailed plan and make this option a reality" said BWB member Marty Tank.

The proposed 4- to 6-mile trail would access parts of the park originally envisioned for mountain bikes in the City's Master Plan. "This is something our youth and adults will be able to access" commented BWB member Ed Stanworth.

A community meeting is scheduled with Rock Solid Trail Contracting for Monday April 4th at 6:30PM at the Brentwood Library. This event is open for everyone to hear more about the project. To learn more visit <a href="https://www.brentwoodmtb.com">www.brentwoodmtb.com</a>.

#### **About Bike Walk Brentwood**

Bike Walk Brentwood advocates for better access to bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure to help solve our growing transportation issues, improve our citizen's health and make an overall positive impact for the city of Brentwood, TN. For more information, please visit <a href="https://www.bikewalktn.org/brentwood">www.bikewalktn.org/brentwood</a> or our Facebook Page at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/BikeWalkBrentwoodTN">www.facebook.com/BikeWalkBrentwoodTN</a>.

### **About Citizens for Brentwood Green Space, Inc.**

The Citizens for Brentwood Green Space, Inc. is a volunteer citizens group organized as a 501(c) (3) nonprofit corporation. Our mission is to preserve open space in the form of parks, trails, historic sites, and flood plains while being sensitive to the rights of landowners and developers. CBGS desires to assure that ongoing development of land resources is accomplished in a way that is beneficial to landowners, to existing citizens of the city, and to future generations of Brentwood residents. For more information, please visit <a href="www.brentwoodgreenspace.org">www.brentwoodgreenspace.org</a>, our Facebook Page at <a href="www.facebook.com/BrentwoodGreenSpace">www.facebook.com/BrentwoodGreenSpace</a> and Twitter <a href="www.facebook.com/BrentwoodGreenSpace">@BrentwoodGreenSpace</a> and Twitter

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