New Business

**Department:** Parks & Recreation  
**Presenter/Contact:** Allison Dains, Director

**Subject:** Resolution in Support of Friends of Fonta Flora State Trail

**Brief Summary:** Friends of Fonta Flora State Trail (F3ST) was selected to participate in NCDOT’s Great Trails State Plan and identified the segment of the Fonta Flora State Trail (FFST) between Point Lookout at the Buncombe/McDowell border through the Town of Black Mountain for a general planning study. Since that time, NC DoT opened the IMD Paved Trails and Sidewalk Feasibility Studies Grant to continue the study of the routes identified in the Great Trails State Plan. The Town of Black Mountain will be conducting its own feasibility study for a proposed segment of this plan within its jurisdiction in 2023. F3ST is applying for the segment from the eastern boundary of Black Mountain to the Buncombe/McDowell County line. This segment has not been studied since 2002 and will fill the gap between Black Mountain's study and the study F3ST is currently conducting for the entirety of FFST in McDowell County.

**Recommended Motion & Requested Action:** Adopt resolution in support of Friends of Fonta Flora State Trail

**County Manager’s comments and Recommendation:** Manager recommends approval as presented.