

## HIDEOUT, UTAH PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING October 21, 2021 Agenda

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission of Hideout, Utah will hold its regularly scheduled meeting electronically for the purposes and at the times as described below on Thursday, October 21, 2021

This meeting will be an electronic meeting without an anchor location pursuant to Planning Commission Chair Anthony Matyszczyk's October 7, 2021 No Anchor Site determination letter.

> All public meetings are available via ZOOM conference call and net meeting. Interested parties may join by dialing in as follows:

Meeting URL:https://zoom.us/j/4356594739To join by telephone dial: US: +1 408 638 0986Meeting ID:435 659 4739YouTube Live Channel:https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKdWnJad-WwvcAK75QjRb1w/

## **Regular Meeting**

## 6:00 PM

I. Call to Order

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October 7, 2021 No Anchor Site Letter

- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes
  - 1. <u>September 16, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes DRAFT</u>
- IV. Agenda Items
  - 1. <u>Continue discussion of the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hideout and potential</u> recommendation to Town Council
  - 2. <u>Discussion of proposed Parks, Open Space and Trail Plan and potential recommendation</u> to Town Council
- V. Meeting Adjournment

Pursuant to the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations during the meeting should notify the Mayor or Town Clerk at 435-659-4739 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

## File Attachments for Item:

1. October 7, 2021 No Anchor Site Letter



## October 7, 2021

## DETERMINATION REGARDING CONDUCTING TOWN OF HIDEOUT PUBLIC MEETINGS WITHOUT AN ANCHOR LOCATION

The Planning Commission Chair of the Town of Hideout hereby determines that conducting a meeting with an anchor location presents a substantial risk to the health and safety of those who may be present at the anchor location pursuant to Utah Code section 52-4-207(5) and Hideout Town Ordinance 2020-03. The facts upon which this determination is based include: The seven-day rolling percent and number of positive COVID-19 cases in Utah has been over 15.44% of those tested since September 30, 2021. The seven-day average number of positive cases has been, on average, 1992 per day since October 5, 2021.

This meeting will not have a physical anchor location. All participants will connect remotely. All public meetings are available via YouTube Live Stream on the Hideout, Utah YouTube channel at: <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKdWnJad-WwvcAK75QjRb1w/">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCKdWnJad-WwvcAK75QjRb1w/</a>

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Additionally, comments may be emailed to <u>hideoututah@hideoututah.gov</u>. Emailed comments received prior to the scheduled meeting will be entered into public record.

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This determination will expire in 30 days on November 6, 2021.

BY: Natura

Tony Matyszczyk, / ning Commission Chair

ATTEST:

Kathleer Hopkins, Deputy Town Clerk

## File Attachments for Item:

1. September 16, 2021 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes DRAFT

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2	Minutes					
3	Town of Hideout					
4	Planning Commission Site Visit, Regular Meeting and Public Hearing					
5		September 16, 2021				
6	6:00 PM					
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9 10 11 12	The Planning Commission of Hideout, Wasatch County, Utah met in Public Hearing and Special Meeting on September 16 2021 at 6:00 PM electronically via Zoom meeting due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.					
13 14	Regular Meeting I. <u>Call to Order</u>					
15 16		meeting to order at 6:09 PM and referenced the current No Anchor Site letter beting materials. All attendees were present electronically.				
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18	II. <u>Roll Call</u>					
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	PRESENT:	Chair Tony Matyszczyk Commissioner Ryan Sapp (arrived at approximately 6:12 PM) Commissioner Glynnis Tihansky Commissioner Donna Turner Commissioner Bruce Woelfle Commissioner Rachel Cooper (alternate)				
26 27 28 29 30 31	STAFF PRESENT:	Thomas Eddington, Town Planner Polly McLean, Town Attorney Timm Dixon, Head of Public Works and Engineering Alicia Fairbourne, Town Clerk Kathleen Hopkins, Deputy Town Clerk				
32 33 34		NDANCE: Nate Brockbank, Paul Watson, Chris Ensign, Jared Fields, Mike Rost, Kathleen Shepley, Sean Philipoom and others who may not ames in Zoom.				
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36	III. <u>Approval of Meeting N</u>	<u>Linutes</u>				
37	There were no comments on t	the draft minutes of the August 9, 2021 Planning Commission meeting.				
38 39 40	Motion: Commissioner Tihansky made the motion to approve the August 9, 2021 Planning Commission Minutes. Commissioner Woelfle made the second. Voting Aye: Commissioners Cooper, Matyszczyk, Tihansky, Turner and Woelfle. Voting Nay: None. The motion carried					
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## 1 IV. Discussion of Site Visits: Deer Springs and Creekside

2 Town Planner, Thomas Eddington provided a brief overview of the site visits the Planning Commission

3 conducted at 5:00 PM prior to the Regular Meeting. The Commissioners first visited a proposed

apartment building site in Deer Springs and then visited Creekside, a potential annexation site consisting
 of approximately eight acres.

- 5 of approximately eight acres.
- 6 There were no actions taken by the Commissioners during this visit.
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## 8 V. Work Session

## 9 Discussion regarding Apartment Building at Deer Springs for future phasing.

10 Mr. Eddington provided an overview of the concept plan for a potential apartment complex in the Deer Springs development which the Commissioners had visited prior to the Meeting. He noted the 11 developer, Mr. Nate Brockbank had originally submitted an application for the Deer Springs 12 development in January of 2020 and the area was zoned as Mountain Residential which required a 13 14 density of one home per acre. Mr. Brockbank was asking the Commissioners for comment on a potential request to re-zone an eight-acre parcel of this development to accommodate the construction 15 16 of a four-building apartment complex to consist of 96 units. The developer also proposed the inclusion of two small neighborhood commercial buildings as part of the project. Mr. Eddington 17 noted the relative steepness of the proposed site and noted the complex would be constructed on the 18 19 least steep sections. Commissioner Bruce Woelfle noted this project would create much more density than the original zoning. 20

21 Mr. Brockbank and Mr. Paul Watson, the project engineer, provided additional information on the proposal and answered several questions from the Commissioners. It was noted resident parking 22 would be included beneath each apartment building as well as behind the buildings, with two parking 23 spaces available to each apartment. The potential commercial building sites could accommodate 24 25 several small businesses, perhaps with small retail on the first floor and office spaces above. The apartment complex would include an approximately 2,500 square foot club house which would most 26 likely be open only to the apartment residents. Commissioner Turner noted the steepness of the 27 28 proposed club house location; Mr. Brockbank responded it was a buildable location but he would 29 confirm the exact grade and report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Glynnis Tihansky shared her concerns with the amount of density proposed for a relatively small and steep location. Commissioner Ryan Sapp asked if the property taxes would belong to MIDA or the Town. Commissioner Donna Turner had questions regarding the adjacent power lines and electrical transformers. Mr. Brockbank noted the proposed site was within the required 20-foot utility easement; Mr. Watson agreed to research the location of the transformer equipment which was not included in the proposed project map.

36 In response to Commissioner Rachel Cooper's question regarding the sizes of the proposed

apartments, Mr. Brockbank stated they would consist of 1-, 2- and 3-bedroom units ranging from 750
- 1,500 square feet. Mr. Brockbank added he expected to include 10-15 units dedicated to work force
housing, and he stated the project would be for long-term rentals.

Mr. Brockbank stated he was not seeking action from the Commissioners at this meeting but only feedback on the concept. He noted he would be comfortable building townhomes in this parcel as originally planned and which would be constructed at a much later phase. Commissioner Turner noted the existence of the nearby Deer Mountain apartment complex and asked if the community needed more of this type of housing. Mr. Brockbank stated Deer Mountain Affordable Housing complex received various tax credits which may provide for more lenient income levels than his proposed project.

- 1 Mr. Watson discussed the building locations relative to the slopes of the property and noted the
- intention to locate the underground garages in the steepest areas to minimize the need for retaining 2 3 walls.
- 4 Commissioner Woelfle stated he was not opposed to the project in general but would like to see less 5 density. He also requested the developer consider including a transit stop at the apartment complex. 6 Mr. Brockbank answered questions on entrances to the project and potential traffic signs required and 7 noted the access from Jordanelle Parkway was already approved by Wasatch County.
- 8 In response to Commissioner Turner's question regarding the ownership of the apartment complex,
- 9 Mr. Brockbank stated he and his partners would own and manage it, and he had developed several
- 10 similar projects throughout the country. Commissioner Cooper asked if Mr. Brockbank had
- experience in managing apartment complexes to which Mr. Brockbank responded he did. 11
- Mr. Brockbank stated he would continue working with Town Staff on the concept and research the 12 best structure to include appropriate revenue sharing from commercial development with the Town. 13
- Mr. Brockbank reiterated he did not wish to push through a project that did not work for the Town, 14 15 and if this was not acceptable, he would proceed with the original plan to eventually construct the 32 town homes already approved. He thanked the Commissioners for taking time to visit the site and for 16 their consideration of this concept. Mr. Brockbank and Mr. Watson were excused and left the 17 meeting.
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### 20 **VI.** Public Hearings

### 21 1. Ratification of KLAIM Phases 1 and 2 subdivision and plat amendment

22 Chair Matyszczyk asked Town Attorney, Polly McLean to provide background on this item. Ms. 23 McLean noted the KLAIM project was well underway, with Phase 1 approved and Phase 2 in process. She noted while the original plat was approved in December of 2014, there was no record of 24 25 the final plat being included. Therefore, to ensure the final plat was properly recorded, public 26 comment was being requested at this time and the Planning Commission was being asked to consider it for formal recommendation to the Town Council. Mr. Eddington added KLAIM Phase 1 27 28 was already complete, and this was somewhat of a formality to ensure the plat was officially recorded. 29

- 30 In response to a question from Commissioner Cooper, Mr. Chris Ensign, developer of KLAIM described the location of the existing and future phases of the development. He noted the current 31 excavation underway was for Phase 2 and owners had already moved into several Phase 1 units. 32
- 33 After further comments from the Commissioners, Chair Matyszczyk opened the floor to public 34 comments at 7:05 PM.

Mr. Jared Fields, attorney for Mountain Resort Land Company (MRLCo), stated his comments were 35 not intended to prevent the requested approvals, but he wanted to note an adjacent parcel between 36

- KLAIM and Soaring Hawk which was owned by MRLCo and would abut a proposed fire access 37 road. He noted the subdivision plat did not show the parcel, and he requested future KLAIM phases 38
- consider this parcel in order to ensure it would not become "landlocked" by any secondary access 39
- 40 road. Mr. Ensign agreed to review this matter directly with MRLCo and noted approvals had been
- obtained from UDOT for current and contemplated road access to SR 248. He noted the fire access 41
- 42 road discussed was specifically for emergency use and not for vehicular traffic.
- 43 There being no further public comment, the Public Hearing for KLAIM was closed a 7:14 PM.
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Motion: Commissioner Tihansky moved to accept and forward to Town Council the Ratification of
 KLAIM Phases 1 and 2 plat amendment. Commissioner Turner made the second. Voting Aye:
 Commissioners Matyszczyk, Tihansky, Turner, Woelfle and Sapp. Voting Nay: None. The motion
 carried.

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## Continue discussion of the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hideout and potential recommendation to Town Council

8 Chair Matyszczyk reminded the Commissioners discussion of this item had been continued from the 9 last meeting and public hearing. Mr. Eddington provided updated versions of the zoning map for discussion. He noted the Initial Map was intended to reflect zoning based on Master Development 10 Agreements (MDAs) and existing construction. He noted the density pods previously shown were 11 removed from this map as they were not officially zoning but rather supplemental information related 12 13 to the zoning and were displayed on a secondary map. He went on to highlight various details on the map and discussed the details surrounding the Master MDA. He noted the zoning as reflected in the 14 Town's 2009 General Plan, 2016 Zoning Map which did not reflect annexation activity or Deer 15 Springs subdivision and the 2019 General Plan map which did not appear to accuarately reflect 16 several areas based on MDAs and existing zoning. He stated this exercise was intended to provide 17 clarity on what was currently approved and/or built and to adopt a final official zoning map which 18 19 reflected the current status.

- 20 Ms. McLean added although the 2009 and 2016 maps were labeled "zoning map," there was no record of a town ordinance which approved and adopted either map as the official Town Zoning Map. 21 22 She noted the 2016 map had been used at a Town Council meeting but there was no evidence it had been officially adopted. Likewise, the 2019 map was included with the Town General Plan, but again, 23 the map was not formally adopted. This exercise was intended to reflect the current approved zoning 24 25 status and then be updated with future zoning changes. Ms. McLean stated the density pod details were not part of the official zoning map but were intended as a supplement to keep track of overall 26 27 density as provided for in the MDAs which could be allocated with changing market conditions. She stated the Town Staff wanted to work with anyone who could help provide more clarity on the 28 evolution of the town zoning map. 29
- Commissioner Tihansky asked about the color and density shown for the golf course; Mr. Eddington
   noted it was based on the zoning per the MDA.
- Ms McLean added the map reflected the zoning from the MDA and approved by Town Council so even though the property was used was as a golf course, it was not zoned as open space.
- Commissioner Tihansky went on to note her concerns if the golf course was not zoned as zero density
   or open space, what would happen if the owner decided to develop the land as zoned. Ms. McLean
   responded any request to re-develop such land would be governed by the MDA, not the zoning map.
   She added the density pod map would not create or remove any density limitations governed by the
   MDA.
- 39 Commissioner Tihansky asked if the density depicted in the beige MDA area totaled the
- approximately 1900 units described in the MDA to which Mr. Eddington responded the total
   allowance in the MDA listed 1,975 units which the area would consist of upon completion of all
- 42 future development.
- 43 Commissioner Tihansky asked if there was a theoretical chance of a hotel being built on the golf
- 44 course property to which Ms. McLean responded she could not speculate on a hypothetical situation;
   45 she would need to review a specific application against the vested rights in the MDA.

- 1 Commissioner Woelfle acknowledged this was a backward process to attempt to approve the map at
- 2 this stage and did not reflect how the planning process would work under the current town
- administration. He noted the original agreement was written in the developer's favor and allowed the
   developer considerable latitude.
- 5 Commissioner Tihansky asked whether a zoning board would be asked to provide any future potential
- 6 variance. Mr. Eddington responded no, such a process would involve a Planning Commission
- recommendation to Town Council, and if disputed an administrative law judge could be called on tohear the case.
- 9 Commissioner Woelfle noted most of the comments raised at the last meeting had been addressed in10 the updated maps.
- 11 There being no further questions from the Commissioners, Chair Matyszczyk opened the floor to 12 public comments at 7:36 PM and asked each speaker to limit comments to three minutes.
- Mr. Jonathan Gunn, Hideout resident, noted a secondary access road near his property was shown on
   the map as a road, but was actually a utility easement. He requested this designation be corrected on
   the final map. Mr. Eddington agreed to correct the map.
- Ms. Carol Tomas, Hideout resident, asked about the zoning designation of the Longview Estates
  subdivision which was designated as Residential Mountain (RMD) rather than Resort Specially
  Planned Area (RSPA) as all the surrounding developments were zoned. She expressed her concerns
  that a developer could construct higher buildings under the RMD zoning which could negatively
  impact the views of adjacent property owners. Mr. Eddington agreed to confirm the zoning and any
  restrictions in the Lakeview Estates MDA.
- Ms. Tomas asked about model home construction in Longview Estates; Mr. Eddington responded the
   design review may be underway or would be started soon. Ms. Tomas requested the zoning for
   Lakeview Estates be changed from RMD to ensure building heights would not impact her views. Mr.
   Eddington responded he would research the MDA on this subject.
- Mr. Jared Fields, also representing Mustang Development, shared his concerns with the noticing of 26 this public hearing as a continuation from the original July 29, 2021 notice rather than as a separate 27 28 notice. He also noted the late posting of the maps in the meeting materials may not have provided 29 sufficient review time for members of the public. He went on to state his disagreement with the density pod map which he believed was inaccurate and potentially confusing. He also stated the 30 31 neighborhood commercial re-zoning designation for the Deer Springs property under current discussion should be corrected on the map. Mr. Eddington and Ms. McLean agreed to follow up on 32 33 these concerns with Mr. Fields.
- Mr. Mike Rost, Hideout resident, stated he agreed with Mr. Gunn's earlier comments regarding the
  designation of the utility easement and supported Ms. Tomas's request for the Lakeview Estates
  property to be re-zoned.
- Commissioner Tihansky asked if the zoning of the Todd Hollow Affordable Housing development as
   single family should be changed to reflect its higher density. Mr. Eddington noted this would require
   a change in the approved zoning.
- 40 Commissioner Turner asked if the Planning Commission had authority to change the zoning
- 41 designations for Lakeview Estates. Ms. McLean responded the Lakeview Estates area noted on the
- 42 proposed zoning map was not part of the Master MDA but rather had a separate MDA or was
- annexed as medium density. Ms. McLean stated she would review the Lakeview Estates MDA with
  Mr. Eddington to confirm the zoning.
- Mr. Eddington stated Todd Hollow was designated as affordable housing which was not a zone in the
   Town' code so was designated as Residential Medium Density which was the closest option.

Ms. Tomas asked if Lakeview Estates was re-zoned as single family, could limits on building heights
 be set. Mr. Eddington responded this would require a zoning change, deed restriction or a zoning
 variance.

There being no further comments, the Public Hearing was closed at 8:04 PM. Chair Matyszczyk.
suggested postponement of the approval of the official town zoning map until Mr. Eddington could
complete his research and make the updates and corrections as discussed.

7 Ms. McLean noted the emails with public comments received had been shared with the8 Commissioners and would be included in the meeting materials.

Motion: Commissioner Turner made the motion to continue the discussion of the town zoning map
 until the next meeting. Commissioner Tihansky made the second. Voting Aye: Commissioners
 Matyszczyk, Tihansky, Turner, Woelfle and Sapp. Voting Nay: None. The motion carried.

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## 13 VII. Meeting Adjournment

- 14 There being no further business, Chair Matyszczyk asked for a motion to adjourn.
- Motion: Commissioner Tihansky made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Woelfle
   made the second. Voting Aye: Commissioners Matyszczyk, Tihansky, Turner, Woelfle and Sapp.
   Voting Nay: None. The motion carried.
- 18 The meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.
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26 27 Kathleen Hopkins, Deputy Town Clerk

## File Attachments for Item:

1. Continue discussion of the Official Zoning Map of the Town of Hideout and potential recommendation to Town Council



## **Staff Report**

То:	Chairman Tony Matyszczyk, Chairman Planning Commission
From:	Thomas Eddington Jr., AICP, ASLA Town Planner
Re:	Zoning Map – Updates
Date:	18 October 2021

The recommended Zoning Map is attached as Exhibit A

At the September 15, 2021 Planning Commission meeting, staff presented a Zoning Map that, based on our research, most accurately represented current zoning district designations within the Town. The only changes to the current zoning district designations on the map are the following:

- Deer Mountain Affordable Housing this area was zoned Mountain (M) or simply designated by its land use, 'residential affordable housing' on prior maps. However, the existing conditions on the ground include multi-unit structures that are generally indicative of medium- or high-density residential developments. Therefore, to better match the existing built environment, this area is recommended to change to Residential Medium Density (RMD).
- Lakeview Estates the prior maps illustrated this as Mountain (M) but this area was rezoned by the Town Council, with a favorable recommendation from the Planning Commission, on June 27, 2019. This area was rezoned to Residential Medium Density (RMD).
- Right-of-way designation clarification what appeared to be a road along the west side of Shoreline, Lakeview, and Deer Waters subdivisions has now been clearly identified as an access (and utility) easement.

No additional changes or clarifications are recommended for the Zoning Map at this time. The ratification of this map, to the best of our understanding, reflects current conditions and will provide the most accurate compilation of prior maps to date. Once adopted, this will serve as the Town's official Zoning Map.

The Density Pod map that reflects the development areas within the MDA is not part of the Zoning Map. Mustang has a different Density Pod map which we are working on with them to reconcile.





## MUSTANG

## DEVELOPMENT

October 4, 2021

Mayor Phil Rubin Polly McLean, Town Attorney Town of Hideout 10860 No. Hideout Trail Hideout, UT 84036

VIA EMAIL: mayor@hideoututah.gov hideoututah@hideoututah.gov polly@peaklaw.net

## Re: Zoning Map and MDA Property

Dear Mr. Mayor and Ms. McLean:

As you are aware, I am general counsel for Mustang Development, LLC. Recently, we have provided the Town with multiple rounds of comments regarding a few maps that were proposed to be adopted as the Town's official Zoning Maps. We appreciate that the Town's Planning Commission did not recommend adoption of the maps to which Mustang provided comments opposing their adoption. We also commend the decision by the Town's Staff not to submit an RSPA Density Pod map for voting by the Planning Commission or Town Council as part of the Zoning Map discussions.

I have previously communicated that we are also willing to confirm the proper RSPA Density Pod map and to communicate with the Town regarding that item and the zoning map. Ms. McLean sent me an email last week following up on these items, and I wanted to provide a formal update in advance of the next Planning Commission meeting. I'd like to address several items simultaneously.

First, conceptually, I'd like to confirm Mustang's agreement with the Town's staff that all of the MDA area should simply be designated as RSPA on the Town's official Zoning Map. In that respect, the Proposed Zoning Map dated 9/16/2021 that was included in the Planning Commission meeting packet took the proper approach. (However, as I commented at that meeting, there were other errors in that Proposed Map, such as the designation of certain non-RSPA property as Neighborhood Commercial without any zoning change having been approved for that property.) Designating all of the MDA property as RSPA accomplishes the Town's stated goal of having a correct zoning map while maintaining the flexibility of designations of density pod areas that were intended in the MDA and the Town's Vested Laws.

Second, pursuant to paragraph 19 of the Master Development Agreement, please consider this letter to be notice of Mustang's exercise of its option to include additional property contiguous to the MDA Property and within the Town boundaries as additional RSPA property. Mustang has acquired the property to the south of the Golden Eagle subdivision north of SR 248, which consists of multiple patented

mining claims.<sup>1</sup> The MDA provides that such property "shall be automatically included within this MDA at the option of Master Developer," and that "such future property so added to this MDA shall be developed at the same density as provided for the property in the RSPA." That property consists of 51.3 acres, which at the 1.5 ERUs/acre provided under the Vested Laws provides 77 ERUs of density. Mustang requests that the Planning Commission and Town Council, in finalizing the Zoning Map, include the additional property in the RSPA zoning. While we expect to submit development applications for that property in the near future, we currently refer to that Property informally as "Sunrise."

Third, consistent with our discussions and the above designation of the additional Sunrise property, Mustang submits the attached document titled "2021.10.04 Mustang Density Pod Map Condensed.pdf." This document serves multiple purposes. It confirms the RSPA zoning boundary and shows the Sunrise area as proposed for the same zoning. It also shows the Master Developer's understanding of the density pods throughout the entire Town boundary. These density pods are consistent with what Mustang has submitted to the Town's staff and relied upon since at least 2016, and with what the Town included in its General Plan in 2019. We propose to designate the newly added Sunrise area as Resort Village Medium Density (RVMD), in part because we anticipate that our development applications for that property will include some of the Resort Village elements such as retail and/or other commercial that the Town's staff has inquired about.

I hope this document is helpful to the Town and its leadership and Staff. We look forward to continued development within the Town consistent with the map.

Sincerely,

JACF

Jared C. Fields, Esq. Chief Legal Counsel Mustang Development, LLC

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The parcels at issue are portions of the patented mining claims known as Star, Star No. 4, and Star No. 5, which have been owned by Raven Rock LLC, and Star No. 6, Star No. 7, Star No. 8 and Star No. 9, which Mustang has owned since 2018.

## Mustang Development LLC

## HIDEOUT CANYON MASTER PLANNED COMMUNITY

Subdivision	Final Approval or Orginal Recorded ERU's	Plat Changes
Rustler (all phases)	88	
Forevermore	13	
Phase 2 - Glistening Ridge	63	
Phase 8 - Reflection Ridge	15	
Reflection Lane	9	
Phase 1 - Overlook Village	47	
Silver Sky	26	
Soaring Hawk (all phases)	154	
Golden Eagle	316	
Shoreline (700 units approved)	602	
Settlement (150 units approved)	122	
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## Density PODS



## — RSPA Zoning Boundary Modification

In accordance with the Mustang MDA the additional property that is being added will add an additional total ERU's based on 51.3 acres multiplied by 1.5 eru's/acres equaling 77 ERU's.

## File Attachments for Item:

2. Discussion of proposed Parks, Open Space and Trail Plan and potential recommendation to Town Council

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## **POST Planning** Let's Implement



October 2021

## **Acknowledgements**

## **Steering Committee**

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Town's Priorities and What

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Purchase Land for a Park Near ter Roundabout and Tie Into the 1an's Gulch That Could Connect **State Park in the Future** 

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Connect the 'Last Mile' for All Trails and Parks

Jse Conservation Easements as Tool to Protect the Land Under or Parks/Trails and Explore tunities on the Golf Course and Areas

# Background & Town History

As one of Utah's newest towns, Hideout was unquestionably settled and incorporated because of its natural beauty and strong connection to the landscape. Stunningly situated atop the waters of the Jordanelle watershed, the town continues to lure new residents on an almost daily basis. They come for the views, the mountain landscape, the water, and proximity to the region's ski resorts and trail system – they come for the outdoors lifestyle.

Throughout the Wasatch Back, expectations are high pertaining to the outdoors and the way in which we can simultaneously protect and enjoy these special places. A commitment to the responsible enjoyment of the outdoors is deeply embedded within the culture of this region and this fundamental principle serves as the foundation of this parks, trails and open space plan. The Town completed its General Plan in early 2019 and all three goals of the Community Vision statement directly or indirectly affect parks and open space and trails:

Preserve outstanding views

> Build a connected community

Cultivate an inviting neighborhood atmosphere

## How to Use This Plan

Park, open space and trail planning is hard work and likely requires an investment by the residents to buy those properties believed to be essential for a balanced community in the future. That is to say, what are the big things the community has to get right to ensure the community is fully connected by way of trails and sidewalks? What kind of gathering places do we need to plan for now to ensure our community can get together for a BBQ? What views would we die on our sword for and what areas should never be disturbed as their very existence has come to define us as a community?

The priorities presented at the end of this document capture much if not all of these ideals. They all cost money or time or require collaboration and negotiation...or all of the above. It is important to consider scheduling - land in this area has consistently increased in value over the past 30 years and this trend is likely to continue. Land that can be purchased today will be significantly less expensive than it will be in five or ten years. And remember that land is sold on the open market and if the Town doesn't own it, it will likely be built upon. After that moment, there is no turning back the clock.

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This plan is the result of considerable mapping and GIS analysis, subdivision and plat record review, demographic research and input from the community. It lays out a framework that is specifically tailored to the Town of Hideout and is designed for immediate implementation.

> This planning document is titled Parks, Open Space and Trails (POST) Planning. It's aptly named: with the completion of this document, the Town is now in the post-planning phase and ready to implement. There will be tweaks and there will be some residents who want to study the details of a recommendation further. While there is nothing wrong with that, now is not the time to look backwards and consistently analyze details to death. This plan was crafted to provide an easy-to-follow framework for the Town of Hideout to begin to implement a parks, open space and trails plan.

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## The Town's Profile By The Numbers

A few things stand out about Hideout. It is a new Town, having been incorporated in 2010. It is a small town, with less than 1,000 residents. And it is a young town, with a median age of only 26 (Utah is also a young state with a median age of 31, while the median age for the US is significantly higher at 38). The population pyramid below illustrates the youthful demographics that make up the Town. As of the most recent American Community Survey Census data (2019), almost 80% of the Town is under the age of 40.

The Town has grown quickly over the past decade and is expected to continue to grow at a rapid pace over the next 20 years – about 73% per decade. This rapid rate of growth is estimated to triple the Town's population in only 20 years.

## Population by Age and Gender, 2019

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## Projected Population Growth, 2020-2040



With this growth come expectations for the Town to ensure quality development, to plan for increased infrastructure and to ensure the appropriate recreational amenities are put into place to prepare for these new residents. The existing residents are young and desirable of outdoor opportunities and the demographic of many new residents is likely affluent and middle-aged or older with an expectation to buy into a place that offers outdoor opportunities as well...and they have choice. If these expectations are not met, they can and will move elsewhere.



## Why Plan for POST?

Planning for recreational amenities matters because quality of life matters. And it matters more and more for communities located in desirable regions such as along America's coasts, in the mountain west or the Sunbelt. Hideout has the fortune of being a desirable, very desirable, place to live. Growth pressures are significant now and likely to increase over the next 20 years. As developers incrementally continue to chip away a the undeveloped mountainsides that overlook the Jordanelle Lake, residents will need assurances that public trails and parks and open space are consistently built or acquired to ensure their quality of life that demands a connection to the land.

As this development continues the land will continue to appreciate in value. Now is the time to take action.

Hideout must begin to proactively buy land that will be dedicated for parks, open space and trails. Simultaneously, the Town must continue to secure easements with all new subdivision approvals to ensure new private development is fully connected to the Town's trails and park system.

## The Town's 2019 General Plan has 22 goals. 11 of the goals relate to Parks, Open Space and Trails planning:

## Land Use Summary

Goal #1		Preserve view sheds Preserve green space	
	Economic	Development Summary	
	Goal #2	Enhance public gathering spaces	

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	Enhance	community	connectivity

Goal #3 Improve the quality of life

## **Transportation Summary**

Goal #1	Improved pedestrian connectivity Improve bicycle infrastructure
Goal #2	Map existing and planned trails Improve quantity of trails
	Improve quality of trails

### **Public Facilities Summary**

- Goal #1 Create public spaces to congregate and recreate
- Goal #2 Enhance and expand parks Enhance and expand trails
- Goal #5 Create a Master Plan for the Town's trails, parks and open space Investigate possible access to public amenities

### **Environment Summary**

- Goal #1Protect Hideout's stunning view shedsGoal #2Encourage interaction with the network has
- Goal #3 Encourage interaction with the natural beauty of Hideout
- Goal #4 Protect the local environment



19. What do you dislike about Hideout?



21. If you could add one thing to the town, what would it be?



20. What would you like to see changed in Hideout?

## How To Move Forward?

It is a mistake to look too far ahead. Only one link of the chain of destiny can be handled at a time.

Winston Churchill

At the most fundamental level, 'first we plan, and then we do.' Planning is hard work and the Town's successful completion of the 2019 General Plan was the first step to ensuring the Town understood the hard work ahead to build a community. Community rarely just happens; it is created.

The General Plan, like all general plans, does a couple of important things for the Town.

First, it represents a snapshot in time with the required data, graphs, mapping, etc. The Town is able to better comprehend the demographics that define the residents within the community, to understand the geography of land uses in place as well as what is available for future development, and to generally understand what the current 'starting point' looks like for the Town.

But data without in depth analysis are just a representation of 'what is.'

The second and more essential component of the General Plan is its ability to be used as a decision-making document for the Town. Despite the most sophisticated ability to anticipate what lies ahead, not all future conditions can be known with certainty. Situations change, economic conditions improve or decline based upon international conditions, and what seemed important yesterday may be less so tomorrow. But the values of the General Plan must always serve as the Town's north star:



Providing the Town remains true to these values as defined by the residents, future decisions should result in recommendations such as those in the POST Plan that will result in the kind of Town that Hideout endeavors to become.

## **A Comprehensive Approach**

The following pages outline in detail three very different but complimentary approaches to begin to realize the desired parks, open space and trails in the Town of Hideout – a regulatory approach, a partnership approach, and a financial approach. All three approaches should be deployed simultaneously.



## Supplement the Regulatory Toolbox

Partnerships and Collaboration **Financing Tools** 



## Supplement the Regulatory Toolbox

Zoning is the regulatory tool that implements the General Plan. The General Plan is a non-binding document that has no teeth in terms of project development review or application review and assessment. However, private development applications must categorically adhere to the detailed language and requirements contained within the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

Within this ordinance, there are a number of sections in Title 10, Building and Development Regulations which have been revised over the past year and should be reviewed annually to ensure the proposed revisions capture the parks open space and trail requirements and amenities desired. Without continued review and revision, the Planning Commission and Town Council will face day-today obstacles when attempting to regulate private developers to safeguard the desired recreational amenities for the future.

### What the Recent Revisions to the Zoning Ordinance Include?

10.08.32 PUBLIC TRAILS REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Public Trails shall be required within each development (within either Open Space or Public Space).
- 2. Where trails have been previously constructed or identified or approved, Subdivision plans for adjacent properties with the trail locations shown on the proposed Subdivision plan shall provide for the logical connection to the existing trail.
- 3. Trails should be located and constructed in such a manner as to minimize maintenance and maximize access. Alignment should utilize the natural topography of the land and should follow natural contours where possible, and preserve and promote natural elements, including geologic, scenic, wildlife and historic.
- 4. The trail grade shall not exceed half the grade of the hillside the trail is traversing to limit erosion. For example, if a trail crosses a hillside with a side slope of twenty percent (20%), the trail grade should not exceed ten percent (10%).
- 5. Trail proposals through Sensitive Lands will be considered on a case-by-case basis during the application process.
- 6. The subdivision plat shall show the width of trails, surface material proposed, where located, type of trail, and Open Space.

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1. Trails connecting a proposed subdivision to the Town's rights-of-way, or adjacent paved multi-use trails, shall match construction materials and paving typology; a minimum of 10'-0" in width and asphalt paving (with a 6" base).

2. Trails connecting to or proposed for hiking or single-track mountain biking may be constructed with an armored (as needed) soft surface and no less than 4'-0" in width.

Subdivision developments shall meet minimum Open Space requirements of the zone classification in which the subdivision is located as set forth in Title

- 1. Except as otherwise allowed in the Town Code, areas which have been designated as a Sensitive Lands shall remain as Open Space but may be counted toward up to 33% of the Open Space requirement for the development. If any development has a larger
- amount of Sensitive Lands than is required to meet the Open Space
- requirement for such development, density allowances for the extra
- land required to be left in Open Space may be transferred to other areas if requested and if such transfer will not result in an over-crowding of the area to which it is being transferred.
- 2. Open Space shall be designed to be as contiguous as possible.
- 3. Wherever possible lands designated as Open Space should be usable for hiking and biking trails and small parks.
- Provisions must be made for regular maintenance of all Open Spaces. In the case of Open Space that is left in its native conditions a management plan may be required.
- The Town Parks Open Space & Trails (POST) Committee shall be responsible for review of all subdivision submittals and shall provide detailed recommendations to the Planning Commission.





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### What the Recent Revisions to the Zoning Ordinance Include?

10.08.34 PUBLIC SPACE REQUIREMENTS

- In each Subdivision, land shall be reserved, and improvements installed for Public Space. Public Space may include parks and playgrounds or other recreation purposes. Such areas shall be shown and marked on the plat as "Reserved for Public Space". Installation of recreational areas shall be constructed at the expense of the Applicant and built to Town Standards.
- Public Space will be required in each subdivision based on the following formula which has been prepared: providing three (3) acres of Public Space per one hundred (100) residential lots or units; and two (2) acres per one hundred (100) commercial lots. Subdivisions with less than one hundred (100) residential or commercial units (or more) shall provide dedicated public space on a pro rata basis.
- 3. When the percentages from the above formula would create less than two (2) acres, the Planning Commission may require that the Public Space be located at a suitable place on the edge of the Subdivision so that additional land may be added at such time as the adjacent land is subdivided.
- 4. The Planning Commission may refer such proposed reservations to the Town Engineer or Town Planner for recommendation.
- 5. Land reserved for recreation purposes shall be of a character and location suitable for use as a playground, play field, or for other recreation purposes, and shall be relatively level and dry. Unless the Town Council approves a variation to the following standards, on a showing of good cause, subdivisions will include the following Public Space amenities (or equivalent):

1. Subdivision between two (2) to twenty (20) lots shall include amenities such as a small park with community garden or a plaza with a covered seating area.

2. Subdivisions between twenty-one (21) lots and fifty (50) lots shall provide amenities such as a park with play equipment or a dog walking park or a large community garden space with designated plots for residents.

3. Subdivisions between fifty-one (51) lots and seventy-five (75) lots shall provide amenities such as a park with the equivalent of two (2) tennis courts and a gathering area.

4. Subdivisions with greater than seventy-six (76) lots shall provide amenities such as a park area with seating, a ball field (soccer, base/softball, football or similar), and parking spaces.

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For subdivisions with less than twenty (20) lots or proposed in areas with steep slopes where construction of Public Spaces would be environmentally damaging, the applicant may request a payment in lieu of the on-site construction of Public Space amenities as required in this section. The fee shall be set at 105% of the costs estimated for the required amenities. The applicant shall provide a detailed construction cost analysis that shall be reviewed by the Town Planner and Town Engineer.

All land to be reserved for dedication to the Town for park purposes shall have prior approval of the Town Council and shall be shown marked on the plat "Reserved for Public Park."

The provisions of this section are minimum standards. None of the paragraphs above shall be construed as prohibiting a Developer from reserving other land for recreation purposes in addition to the requirements of this section.





## **Partnerships** and **Collaborations**

Hideout has an interesting and unique history. The Town began as a housing development in the early 2000s in unincorporated Wasatch County. What began as a one-man vision gradually evolved into a development housing a few hundred people. A Master Association (Homeowners Association - HOA) was initially created and the entire development and surrounding lands ultimately evolved into an incorporated Town within Wasatch County in 2010.

The growing pains associated with moving from a vision to a housing development to an HOA to a Town primarily exist as a result of misunderstandings and ideological differences. Today, the Town has grown beyond the boundaries of the Master Association HOA. With this growth has been an evolution in Town governance as well as an understanding that 'what was' is not always going to be 'what is' or what 'will be.'

To bridge this gap, the Town will have to partner and collaborate with just about every entity in the region:



What continues to stand out for the Town of Hideout is the desire to create a better, more connected, community - one that isn't separated by jurisdictional boundaries. The residents of Hideout were very aligned in their input in the Community Survey and Town Hall meetings during the preparation of the General Plan. The residents shared concerns over the ongoing maintenance of the streets; they indicated a willingness to spend money for open space, parks and trails; and they had some very specific ideas regarding the Town Center and commercial growth opportunities.

The residents expressed a strong desire to work together as a small town in order to effectuate a desired future. This collaboration must include MIDA, the oversight entity that, as of 2020, has regulatory authority over land use development in the northern portion of Hideout. The purpose of the proposed MIDA project area is to provide the military with a "Morale, Welfare and Recreation" facility or hotel in a ski resort setting. Trails and connectivity will ensure the success of recreation in this area.

Finally, the Town and the Master Association HOA must work together to ensure each other's success. Collaboration after a period of limited interaction is hard. Issues of misinformation arise and mistrust grows on either side. But both have everything to lose by not working together and everything to gain by collaborating. This collaboration will require the following actions:

Communication - openly and with



compassion for the other side

Cooperation - to ensure mutually beneficial results

Compromise - in good faith and when necessary





When it comes time to move beyond planning and implement projects, the primary issue is money - how to pay for it? The subsequent section includes a list of the top seven priority Parks, Open Space and Trails Projects for the Town; all come with a cost.

The Town's total annual budget is approximately \$1mn and does not currently allow for additional appropriations for specific projects at this time. That may change in the future, but the time to acquire land is now given its almost certain appreciation in the Wasatch Back. There are a couple of likely options that the Town should consider to finance recreational infrastructure. One is to allocate a set aside amount from any deal negotiated with MIDA. Ideally this would be finalized during initial negotiations with MIDA but could be revisted after a year or two upon assessment of Town and MIDA finances. Ultimately, the Town must allocate a hefty line item for these projects. These negotiations are a once in a lifetime opportunity for the Town to definitively confirm its values and commitment to the environment and the outdoor amenities so strongly desired by the residents.

A second option is a bond; basically a tax imposed upon the Town itself to pay for projects that will benefit the community forever. There are many types of bonds but the most probable is a general obligation bond - a bond that is paid back by increased property tax revenues.

A third option is the use of impact fees. The Town could impose these fees (specifically dedicated to parks, trails and open space projects) on future development activity.

## **From the Resident Survey**

More trails, and walking paths. Currently, most residents have to walk on the road, hazardous with all the construction vehicles.

## "[There is] no lake access"

"Favor paying for amenities or services through bonding rather having commercial enterprises underwrite through taxes as such commercial enterprises disrupt the tranquility of Hideout."

Please place further controls on developers so that our entry to Hideout canyon wouldn't look like it does - unfinished construction projects. Make them bond for performance with the town.

## "We need a place where children can play"

There is a cost associated with any project - a 'give' for a 'get.' The community was very supportive of bonding for parks and trails as well as open space/green space during the recent General Plan rewrite. Over 71% 'strongly favored' or 'favored' the use of a bond for public parks and trails and more than 74% 'strongly favored' or 'favored' a bond for dedicated open/green space.



## What Might a \$5mn Bond Look Like for Hideout?

A \$5mn General Obligation bond typically has a repayment timeline of 20 years with an interest rate determined by the credit rating for the Town at time of issuance. If the Town issued a \$5mn bond at an interest of 3.25% with a term of 20 years, how would that impact the +/- 1,000 residents of Hideout in +/-500 housing units?

This is just one bond scenario; the Town could decide to look at a \$10mn bond given the current national financial situation - one that is very favorable to lending at relatively low interest rates.









The following calculations illustrate what this might look like based upon a cursory assessment by Zions Public Finance Inc.:

• All property owners would see their local property taxes increase by about 12%. The annual repayments for a \$5mn bond would be in the \$350,000 range.

• According to the 2019 US Census, the median house value in Hideout is about \$700,000. Currently, that household is paying approximately \$8,025 per year in property taxes. This would increase by about \$775 per year (to a total of \$8,800) for twenty years to pay off the bond.

• This 'average' homeowner in Hideout would pay an additional \$65 per month for the recreational amenities paid for by the bond – an amount significantly less than the monthly HOA fees typical of the Wasatch Back.



## What Are the Town's **Priorities and What Comes First?**

When planning for recreational amenities, it can be easy to make the mistake of creating a lengthy laundry list of 'to do' items. Often the list can become so unruly that there is effectively no point of beginning. Fortunately, the Parks, Open Space and Trails (POST) Steering Committee was diligent and focused in this regard. They recognized early on the challenges associated with trying to do everything at once. Hideout is a small town and its response to acquiring land for open space and building trails and parks must be measured and responsible. The following seven priority projects are proposed and should be completed within the next five years.

## **A Definitive Path Toward Implementation**

## **7 POST PRIORITIES** for the Town of Hideout

## . . . **PRIORITY 1**

**Ensure Developer Compliance With Previously Approved Subdivisions** 

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**PRIORITY 2** Finalize Bike & **Pedestrian Trails** (Deer Springs and **Rustler Plat)** 

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## **PRIORITY 3**

**Collaborate With the Counties and Nearby Communities to Build** the Spine on SR 248 - Coordinate Efforts with UDOT

## **PRIORITY 4**

**Purchase Land for a Park Near the Town Center Roundabout** and Tie Into the Trail in **Dead Man's Gulch That Connects to Jordanelle State Park** 

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**PRIORITY 5** Establish a **Connection to Jordanelle State** Park

## **PRIORITY 6**

**Connect the** 'Last Mile' for All **Constructed Trails** and Parks

## **PRIORITY 7**

**Use Conservation Easements** as a Partnership Tool to Protect the Land Under Power Lines for **Parks/Trails and Explore Similar Opportunities on the Golf Course** 



State Park Trails — Existing Open Space Trails

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## **Ensure Developer Compliance With Previously Approved Subdivisions**



- **State Park Trails**
- **Existing Open Space Trails**
- Parks/Open Space

Estimated Cost: \$0 Town responsible only for oversight and enforcement

As part of this POST planning process, every subdivision approved by the Town was reviewed in detail and mapped. The final map for the Town includes all of these subdivisions as well as the parks, open space and trails that were included on the plat and/or required by the Planning Commission. The Town Council and/ or the Planning Commission should ensure that each park area includes a variety of amenities scattered around Town including but not limited to: playground equipment for children, a tennis court, a few volleyball or pickle ball courts, etc. A community survey could be distributed to determine what is particularly desired at the present time. The following developments have committed to deed-restricted open space/parks and/or trails and appear to be noncompliant as of September 2021:

## Soaring Hawk (Phases 1 - 4)

151 Lots (construction generally complete):

Development approvals were awarded in 2015 - 2016 and included open space and trails. The construction of the trails has not been completed and open space protections must be confirmed.

## Hideout Canyon (Phase 1)

48 Lots (construction generally complete):

Development approvals were awarded in 2006 and included trail/sidewalk requirements that have not been completed; specifically along Longview Drive where sections are missing.



### **Sundown Ridge**

4 Lots (under construction): Development approvals were awarded in 2016 and included a trail or sidewalk connection at the end of Longview Drive (a cul-de-sac) connecting to the property to the north.

### **Deer Springs**

248 Lots (currently under construction): Development approvals were awarded in 2018 and included some park/open space land as well as trails (and an allowance for the Town to build its own trails on the park lands).

### **Deer Waters**

102 Lots (under construction): A park to be consructed by the Developer will be completed as part of Phase 4 of the development.

## Shoreline (Phases 1 - 3)

rights-of-way.

### Golden Eagle (Phases 1-3)

314 Lots (under construction): Development approvals were awarded in 2016 and included a significant number of trails and/or sidewalks throughout the proposed development area. The configuration of these trails has changed per different versions, but the concept has remained consistent - trail connectivity throughout the residential area and a trail connection down the mountain to SR 248.

153 Lots: (under construction): Development approvals were awarded in 2017 with Final Subdivision approval in 2021 which included trails and/or sidewalks along or adjacent to the

## **KLAIM**

+/- 80 units (under construction): Development approvals have been finalized for this project which includes a short trail system has been conceptually proposed.

### Lakeview

69 Lots (under construction): Trails are distributed throughout the development and connect to a dog park (at the Jordanelle Park boundary line) and inlcudes a stairway trail up to the park proposed in Deer Waters.

## **Finalize Bike & Pedestrian Trails** (Deer Springs and Rustler Plat)



**State Park Trails** 

- **Existing Open Space Trails**
- Parks/Open Space

Estimated Cost: \$50,000 - \$100,000 Bike/ped trail or flow park Trail for dog walking

The Town has worked closely with the developer of Deer Springs (2018 approval) to secure an opportunity to build a bike or pedestrian trail on the southern end of the property and within the deed-restricted open space area. The details of the bike/ped trail or possible flow trail park have not been finalized but this public-private partnership is well underway and should be complete within the next year.

The second component of this priority is a walking path that is proposed in the open space just north of Rustler Plat (2013 approval). This could be an area for dog walking and is recommended to be a loop that extends from the northern end of North Sightline Circle and could connect to Lot 10 in Forevermore Court which is a steep sloped lot that may not be developable.

## **PRIORITY 3**

## **Collaborate With the Counties and Nearby** Communities to Build the Spine on SR 248 -**Coordinate Efforts with UDOT**

During the spring, summer and fall months, cyclists on SR 248 are a familiar sight; a sight that consistently reminds drivers of the need for a quality bike separated bike path that improves their safety as well as provides better connectivity to the Town. SR 248 spans almost four miles through the Town of Hideout and provides all access into and out of the Town.

Recommendations for the 'Spine' include:

- The Town should coordinate all efforts with the Utah Department of Transportation and Summit and Wasatch Counties.
- A focus on Context Sensitive Design (CSD) will be necessary when working through preliminary planning efforts with UDOT. This approach will give the Town the opportunity to maintain local authenticity in terms of design and approach.
- A financially collaborative approach will be required to build a 10' wide paved trail for cyclists and pedestrians that stretches from Park City (Quinn's Junction) to the Kamas Valley (+/-11 miles). Partners include: Wasatch County, Summit County, UDOT, Kamas, Park City, Tuhaye, the Master Association HOA in Hideout and others.

The 'Spine' is not only an opportunity to safeguard that Hideout is committed to bike and pedestrian safety along SR 248 but to demonstrate the Town's pledge to the ideals of 'connected communities' as presented in the 2019 General Plan - a regional approach to trail development.

Anecdotal input to date indicates that some within the community might see the 'Spine' as money spent that



\_ **Parks/Open Space** 

primarily benefits outsiders or those passing through Town. The reality is that the only public right-of-way that links the many Hideout neighborhoods is SR 248; construction of this 'Spine' will allow for all trails/sidewalks and roads to funnel into this primary connector trail and link the entire community. As part of the 'Spine's' development, two under/over crossings are recommended: one at or near the



**Existing Open Space Trails** 

Estimated Cost: \$250,000 - \$400,000/mile 4 miles within Town limits 11 miles from Quinn's Junction to Kamas

> entrance to Tuhaye/Golden Eagle at Tuhaye Park Drive and the other at or near North Deer Mountain Boulevard or Longview Drive intersection with SR 248.



## **Purchase Land for a Park Near the Town Center Roundabout** and Tie Into the Trail in Dead Man's Gulch **That Could Connect to Jordanelle State Park** in the Future

The Town does not have a public park for residents at the present time. During the General Planning process, public input revealed that 74% of the residents 'strongly favored' or 'favored' a bond for dedicated open/green space. That is a level of support that any city or town can only hope for in terms of providing strong direction.

Hideout wants a park and the residents are willing to pay for it.

During the preparation of this plan, many different possibilities were explored and analyzed - based upon ease of accessibility, zoning and/or development plans, location and views, and size. Ultimately, the recommended location for a Town Park is the +/-2 acre lot located near the Town roundabout and along Longview Drive at the intersection with North Hideout Trail - where the 'pile of rocks' is located. This area is not proposed for any residential development and could be easily accessed by any resident, on foot/bike or in a vehicle.

The land is currently owned by Bob Martino (Mustang Development) and is within the subdivision Hideout Canyon (Phase 1). The quality of the site in its existing condition requires imagination but that also potentially reduces the acquisition cost and allows for the Town to shape the land as desired in the future without having to touch undisturbed land located elsewhere in Town that might otherwise be suitable.



**Priority #4 items** 



- **State Park Trails**
- **Existing Open Space Trails**
- Parks/Open Space

A park in this location should include a clubhouse with community meeting spaces (and maybe a couple of courts for volleyball and/or pickle ball). This park can easily be connected to the trail in Dead Man's Gulch that links the Town to the Jordanelle State Park.

## Estimated Cost: \$1,150,000 - \$1.650.000

- **Property acquisition**
- Site preparation work
- Site improvements

### **PRIORITY 5**

## **Establish a Connection to Jordanelle State Park**



**Existing Open Space Trails** 

Parks/Open Space





Assumes easements; no acquisition On site work; 'bridge' to State Park

When asked if the Town should wor with the Jordanelle State Park to provide



future services, almost 99% of respondents replied yes (78%) or maybe (20%). Presumably, future services that would benefit the residents of Hideout require trail connectivity.

There is an existing single-track trail that can be accessed from Longview Drive just west of the intersection with Shoreline Drive. This trail descends into Dead Man's Gulch for a distance of about 700' where it ends in the trees. This trail could be continued along the valley floor of the Gulch for another 1,000' where it could connect to the existing trail that drops down into the State Park. This would require negotiations on two fronts: one with the private property owner to secure easements for the trail. And the second piece would be to negotiate with the Sate Park to ensure access (likely with an annual fee) for the residents of the Town.

Logistically, depending on the negotiations with the State Park, the Town should coordinate with developers to acquire 'bridge' properties (very small, perhaps 10' wide by 20' long) on which to build the connecting trail piece. The State Park may not allow trails in/out of the park to connect directly to private land. The Town has successfully negotiated these bridge connections with the developers of Lakeview and Shoreline Development. These sites should be designed as 'proof of concept.'

## **PRIORITY 6 Connect the** 'Last Mile' for All **Constructed Trails** and Parks

In many ways the challenges associated with community trails are similar to those issues that confront public transportation - how to easily link the final connections to ensure users can and will effortlessly navigate the system. These final pieces, the links, are generally small in scale but necessary in terms of 'completing' the network. In transportation planning these final links are often referred to as the 'last mile.'

Assuming the prior priorities are completed as recommended, the following 'last mile' connections should be completed:



**State Park Trails** 

**Existing Open Space Trails** 

Parks/Open Space

Estimated Cost: \$500,000 - \$750,000 Assumes easements; no acquisition Site preparation work; path creation

Connect the existing trail that runs parallel to Ross Creek Drive down the slope to the 'Spine' on SR248 and to the over/under pass near North Deer Mountain Boulevard or Longview Drive intersection with SR248.

- Connect the trails within the Deer Springs development to the existing Jordanelle State Park trail just west of Ross Creek and alongside the north end of the lake.
- Connect the trail(s) on the southern end of Deer Waters Resort to the north end of Plumb Hideout and Shoreline - Phase 1 - where private development trails have been completed.
- Connect Deer Waters Resort to Shoreline - Phase 2. This is a short but necessary connection.
- Connect The Klaim trail(s) down the mountain to SR248 'Spine.'
- Connect Shoreline Phase 2 to the intersection of the Town's trail and the Jordanelle State Park at the bottom of Dead Man's Gulch.



The challenges associated with some of these trails is that many of the recommended connections cross from one development/ neighborhood to another and there may be concerns relative to 'ownership' and HOA restrictions – this is particularly true with the Master Association HOA that has, to date, looked upon these connections as unfavorable. These issues can be overcome in a few ways:

• The Town must partner and collaborate with the Master Association HOA and Bob Martino/Mustang Development in particular. A win-win opportunity is possible and should be explored.

• Recognize that the allowance of any trail connections may require signage to let users know when they are on public or private trails. The Master Association HOA might request some form of legal indemnification should an accident of some type ensue on their property.

• A possible solution to the public vs. private trail use might be for the Master Association HOA to grant easements along the private trails to the Town thus removing private accountability for user accidents. The granting of a short-term easement as a trial run of sorts could mitigate any hesitation on the part of the Master Association HOA.

Use Conservation Easements as a Partnership Tool to Protect the Land Under Power Lines for Parks/Trails and Explore Similar Opportunities on the Golf Course & Other Unbuilt Areas

The land under the existing utility power lines offers a significant amount of space to negotiate use for trails, linear parks, or similar. Discussions with Rocky Mountain Power can be lengthy and cumbersome but the longterm results could yield great potential, particularly on the southern end of the Town where connections to Tuhaye are desired.

The golf course is owned by Mustang Development and provides open space and recreational opportunities for its members. The RSPA designation for this land generally protects the land and ensures its use as a resort amenity but the long-term viability of the golf course remains in question given changing demographics and recreational choices. Concerns about the future use of this property could be mitigated by the overlay of a conservation easement on the golf course. This would be written to exclude any development on this site while guaranteeing the land to be preserved as open space or parkland for the future of the community.

Utah Open Lands or similar entities could assist the Town to secure a conservation easement. In addition, there are other methodologies to ensure the protection of this asset well into the future. The owner may be willing to enter into a Development Agreement subject to conditions guaranteed by the Town – another example of a partnership opportunity.





## Estimated Cost: \$375,000 - \$1,975,000

- Assumes easements (legal fees); no acquisition
- Varies based upon trail type natural walking/ biking trail or 10′ paved
- Site preparation work to path construction
- Conservation Easement on Golf Course estimate: \$150,000 - \$1,500,000

State Park Trails

- Existing Power Line
   Easements
- Parks/Open Space

# Build It Before They Come and Maintain It Diliginetly!

While parks, open space and trails are almost universally desired within any community, it is much easier to design and build this recreational infrastructure before all residential and commercial structures are in place. That allows the parks and trails to become the defining elements as the community grows; these become the skeletal framework, similar to roads, around which new development is built.

And maintenace is essential to ensuring a safe and quality recreational experience. The Town should allocate an annual maintenance budget and verify that the HOAs responsible for parks, open space and trails understand their ongoing maintenance responsibilities as well.

## Appendix

## Definitions

## **Open and Recreational Spaces**

**Open space** is any open piece of land that is undeveloped (has no buildings or other built structures) and is typically accessible to the public. In some cases, open space may used for recreational or trail purposes as outlined below while there may be some instances that open space is purchased or acquired for view shed purposes only. In these cases, the land may not be made available for public use.

A **park** is an area of natural, semi-natural or planted space set aside for public enjoyment and recreation or for the protection of wildlife or natural habitats. Some parks may include playground equipment, benches, or a shelter for community gatherings.

A **sports field** is an area on which sports are played; these include but are not limited to: baseball, soccer, football, pickle-ball, volleyball, or similar.

A **plaza** is typically a public square, marketplace, or similar open space in a built-up area and for use by the public.

A **town center** is the commercial or geographical center or core area of a town. Town centers are traditionally associated with shopping or retail. They are also the center of communications with major public transport hubs such as train or bus stations.

A **conservation easement** is an easement, covenant, restriction, or condition in a deed, will, or other instrument signed by or on behalf of the record owner of the underlying real property for the purpose of preserving and maintaining land or water areas predominantly in a natural state, scenic, or open condition, or for recreational, agricultural, cultural, wildlife habitat, or other use or condition consistent with the protection of open land.

A **trail easement** (or **use easement**) is a perpetual legal agreement that allows others to use someone's land in the manner specifically provided for within the easement.

### Common Areas (HOA)

The CC&Rs typically define general **common areas** those available for the use of all the homeowners in the development. The majority of common elements in a development are usually 'general' common elements. Their exact location should be depicted in the development's plat or map. In a single-family home development, often all of the common elements are general common elements. General common elements might include such things as a pool, a park, or a clubhouse.

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