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Beaverton Planning Commission
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RE: Cooper Mountain Community Plan – Draft Development Code

Dear Commissioners:

The Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District (THPRD) appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony regarding City of Beaverton staff's suggested changes to the Draft Cooper Mountain Community Plan and Draft Development Code. THPRD is largely satisfied with the draft plan and appreciates City staff's continued collaboration to refine code language ensuring public parks, trails, and recreation services are adequately provided and properly designed within Cooper Mountain.

Trail lighting standards are a new practice in the region, with the City of Beaverton at the forefront. THPRD believes it is appropriate to continue to review sections of the code and complete plan updates or amendments that support the implementation of park and recreation facilities. In particular, THPRD and City staff have discussed refining trail lighting standards as lighting values and metrics are evaluated and better understood. Careful research to establish and clarify standards is integral to the feasibility and long-term viability of these amenities.

As the City of Beaverton's park provider and the primary agency responsible for planning, development, and maintaining Beaverton's off-street active transportation system, THPRD seeks to be involved in the discussions that impact future park and trails, and to find solutions that will meet and serve future Cooper Mountain community members and employees, in addition to the surrounding community. THPRD staff will attend the October 16, 2024, Planning Commission meeting and are available to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Gery Keck".

Gery Keck
Planning & Development Manager
Tualatin Hills Park & Recreation District

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