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ITEM #7: Receive Annual Compliance Reports for July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019 for the Carolina North, Glen Lennox, Fire Station #2, and Obey Creek Development Agreements

Council Question:

Are any greenways and other paved trails upcoming?

Staff Response:

A paved multi-modal path will soon be built along both sides of Homestead Road. Staff does not believe there are plans for any additional paved trails.

Council Question:

How much of the trail work in Carolina North was affected or lost (feet or mileage)?

Staff Response:

We are waiting for more information from UNC on this question and will share the response when we receive it.

Council Question:

How much progress has there been with respect to greenways in the years since this Development Agreement regarding Carolina North was entered?

Staff Response:

The Carolina North property has had two greenways installed:

- The Horace Williams Greenway (from Weaver Dairy Road Extension into the site) was required as a condition of extending the utility duct bank (2012)
- The Claremont Greenway, extending under Homestead Road to Chapel Hill High School, also crosses a portion of Carolina North (2018)

All other trails are tied to some future level of development within Carolina North.

Council Question:

How is this new pilot program for master leasing going so far, in terms of meeting its objectives?

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Staff Response:

The Community Home Trust's Master Leasing Program was launched in April 2019. All five units at Glen Lennox are currently occupied by residents at 30% Area Median Income or below.

Council Question:

What is the projected timeline with this property-wide wayfinding plan for pedestrians and bicyclists?

Staff Response:

Grubb believes it will be complete (designed, agreed to by Grubb and town staff, Councilapproved) by next spring. Grubb recently engaged a new master planning consultant and a placemaking consultant to work on retail village concepts, who will have some input into signage and wayfinding generally, which will influence the bike/ped wayfinding. They'll complete their work in November, and Grubb expects to fully engage in the bike/ped wayfinding plan work soon after. Grubb has the baseline Copenhagenize plan for wayfinding, which can serve as a foundation and allow for faster progress to coordinate with Glen Lennox and staff on the plan.