

# McDowell Creek Greenway Extension Torrence Creek to Wynfield Community Connection



## MEETING NOTES

SUBJECT: Community Meeting

PROJECT: McDowell Creek Greenway and Stream  
Restoration Update

DATE: November 10, 2015

TIME: 6:00pm

PLACE: Wynfield Forest Clubhouse  
15722 Wynfield Creek Pkwy

### ATTENDEES

Alicia Rocco  
Gwen Cook  
Kevin Brickman  
Joyce Figueroa  
David Woodie  
Brian Bennett  
Jason Claudio-Diaz  
Gabe Dobbs  
Katie Geier

### REPRESENTING

Mecklenburg County Asset & Facility Management (AFM)  
Mecklenburg County Park and Recreation (PR)  
Mecklenburg County PR  
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Mecklenburg County Storm Water Services (SWS)  
Mecklenburg County AFM  
Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. (KHA)  
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## GENERAL SEQUENCE OF DISCUSSIONS

- Introductions
- Presentation
  - Gwen began the presentation and gave an overview of the night's agenda.
  - McDowell Creek Stream Restoration Project Update
    - David gave an overview of the stream restoration project: the project goals and status update.
    - The County showed the McDowell Creek Stream Restoration Video.
  - McDowell Creek Greenway Extension Project –
    - Gwen discussed the definition of a greenway and gave an overview of the McDowell Creek Greenway Project History and Timeline.
    - Gabe discussed typical cross section of the S.W.I.M. Buffer, project phasing, connections and access points, trail features and amenities, and health benefits.
    - Alicia added that the phasing of the greenway is due to funding and the intent is to build as much of the greenway as possible within the budget.
  - Community members asked questions regarding
    - Flags located in their yard
    - Location of the alignment in relation to existing property lines and sewer easements
    - Phasing and timeline of greenway extension
    - Further description of an "overlook area"
- Breakout Tables
  - Exhibits were set out at 3 tables for public comment and engagement with the County and Consultant staff.

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- Community members voiced opinions and asked questions, notes were taken on the exhibits
  - Hank Trojan (Facilities Management Chair Wynfield Forest HOA) expressed concerns with safety and access
  - Where is parking in relation to the Regional Park Plan?
  - Comments/Concerns from Huntersville Greenway Commission
    - Demand for Parking
    - Connection to Birkdale
  - Is there potential for parking at the end of Old Gilead Road at Gilead Road?
  - Karen Brown (property owner adjacent to Chilgrove Ln connection)
    - Mecklenburg Audubon, Chimney Swift Tower suggested near overlook
  - Requested connection to Macauley community
  - No parking signs in cul-de-sac for fire access
  - "Town of Huntersville or Sherriff" for security concerns/policing
  - Update phasing line to include connection to Oakham Street
  - Requested wayfinding near Torrence Creek Tributary 2
  - Requested buffer along connections to Chilgrove Ln and Oxford Hollow Road
  - Requested alignment adjustment towards creek and away from property lines near Chilgrove Ln