



## MEMORANDUM

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TO: Brett D. Lenart, Planning Manager

FROM: Connie Pulcifer, Systems Planner

CC: Craig Hupy, Public Services Area Administrator  
Cresson Slotten, Systems Planning Manager

DATE: October 30, 2017

SUBJECT: Draft City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: The Treeline—Allen Creek Urban Trail,  
2017

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This memo is to inform you that comments were received from Washtenaw Area Transportation Study about the Draft City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: The Treeline—Allen Creek Urban Trail, 2017. The comments are attached with the project team responses in *italics*.

Sincerely,

Connie Pulcifer

System Planner

Enclosure: Received Comments and Responses  
Letter of Notice to Comment  
List of Entities Noticed

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The Treeline Master Plan Report provides an excellent review of the alternatives available for implementation. The focuses of north/south connection, connectivity to adjacent non-motorized projects, awareness of requisite partnerships (MDOT, WATCO) and use of City-owned parcels/facilities keep the Plan focused.

In the preferred alternative graphics, consider adding a unique line/shading/similar to define the Treeline preferred alternative against other projects/opportunities. Also, consider adding existing traffic signals the preferred alternative would cross.

*Other projects/opportunities are shown in two locations in the Draft Master Plan: 1) Figures 2—4 (pages 17—19) include symbols for existing and proposed facilities; 2) “Near-Term Opportunities”, “Coordinating Projects” and “Other Trail Opportunities” are shown on the Zone Maps and described in the narrative on Figures 16—23 (pages 36—48).*

*Existing traffic signals are shown in the Draft Master Plan: 1) Figures 2—4 (pages 17—19).*

While trail within the public right-of-way, is limited, and the space given to travel lanes is capped at 20', consider adding discussion of traffic calming features for these sections to ensure continuity of trail atmosphere.

*Support for this comment is illustrated and described the Draft Master Plan in Figure 12 (page 31) which describes construction of separated bicycle facilities and pedestrian areas and prioritizing pedestrian and bicycle safety at intersections and midblock.*

Consider including discussion of Arbor Bike expansion in the forthcoming Treeline Business Plan.

*This comment will be considered during development of the business plan.*



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September 6, 2017

Subject: Draft City of Ann Arbor Master Plan: The Treeline – Allen Creek Urban Trail, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

In accordance with the Michigan Planning Enabling Act (PA 33 of 2008), enclosed is a URL to access the draft of the proposed City of Ann Arbor Master Plan Amendment. This plan amendment includes a recommended feasible route for an urban trail along the Allen Creek corridor.

The Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners, contiguous and nearby municipal legislative bodies and other entities may submit comments not more than 42 days after receiving the plan. As instructions to access the draft plan are being sent with this communication on September 6, 2017, comments must be received by Monday, October 23, 2017 to be considered.

Comments should be sent to the City of Ann Arbor Systems Planning unit (Attention: Connie Pulcifer) at 301 E. Huron Street, P.O. Box 8647, Ann Arbor, MI 48107-8647 or emailed to [cpulcifer@a2gov.org](mailto:cpulcifer@a2gov.org). If you need additional information, or would like to request a paper copy of the draft, contact Connie Pulcifer at 734-794-6000 ext. 43731.

Thank you for your cooperation. The City of Ann Arbor Planning Commission looks forward to your comments.

Sincerely,

Brett D. Lenart  
Planning Manager

Enclosure: URL to Draft Plan: Access the [Treeline – Allen Creek Urban Trail Master Plan](http://a2gov.org/allencreekgreenway) by visiting [a2gov.org/allencreekgreenway](http://a2gov.org/allencreekgreenway)

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**Noticed for Review of Draft Treeline-  
Allen Creek Urban Trail Master Plan  
from City Planning Department**

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