

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Donna Barron, City Manager

**FROM:** Stacie Anaya, Director of Parks and Recreation

**DATE:** March 3, 2020

**SUBJECT:** **Approval of an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Denton County Transportation Authority for Maintaining the A-Train Rail Trail within the Lewisville City Limits; and the Authorization for the City Manager to Execute the Agreement.**

### **BACKGROUND**

The A-train Rail Trail runs alongside Denton County Transportation Authority's (DCTA) commuter rail line and was designed to complement its surroundings and adjacent facilities. The 19-mile trail is part of the agency's ongoing efforts to provide safe, customer-focused and efficient mobility solutions to Denton County. It connects existing transit facilities with key destinations within DCTA's member cities – Denton, Lewisville and Highland Village - and surrounding areas. Denton County Transportation Authority (DCTA) has recently completed construction of the final segment (from the Lake Park/Highland Village Station to Mill Street) of the A-Train Rail Trail along the DCTA Corridor in Lewisville it had originally committed to build.

### **ANALYSIS**

During planning and design of the trail, DCTA was incentivized to proceed with construction of the trail with the promise of an agreement with the City to operate and maintain the segment of the trail within the city limits. The proposed agreement establishes the terms and responsibilities for maintaining the trail.

The Parks and Recreation Department currently maintains (sweeps, debris and trash removal, etc.) the previously completed segments of the trail that run through Lewisville. The Department has been preparing for the assumption of maintenance responsibilities of the new segment between Lake Park/Highland Village Station and Mill Street) this year. Once the additions of the Valley Ridge Boulevard and the Southern Extension segments are constructed, the Parks and Recreation Department will assume operation and maintenance responsibilities as well.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That the City Council approve the agreement as set forth in the caption above; and authorize the City Manager to execute the agreement.