RESOLUTION NO. 2026-XX

RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THE CLARIFICATION OF NAMING CONVENTIONS FOR THE ESTATOE TRAIL AND ECUSTA TRAIL

WHEREAS, the City's trail system consists of the Estatoe Trail, the Ecusta Trail, the trails in Bracken Preserve, and portions of the City's greenway system that are also collectively referred to as the "Estatoe Trail"; and

WHEREAS, the name "Estatoe Trail" originally pertained just to the gravel path that starts at Asheville Highway and enters Pisgah National Forest, completed in 2009, but has since been used to refer to the entire main greenway "spine"; and

WHEREAS, the Ecusta Trail, which will run from the Henderson County line in Blantyre to Main Street, is currently under design and once constructed, will overlap with sections of what is now colloquially called the Estatoe Trail; and

WHEREAS, Council officially designated the City greenway from approximately the Cherry Street connector to Main Street as the "Ecusta Trail"; and

WHEREAS, the Parks, Trails, and Recreation Committee met on August 19, 2026 and determined that the overlapping trails with dual signage would create confusion for users; and

WHEREAS, the Committee determined that there is a "T" intersection behind Oskar Blues, at which point the Ecusta and Estatoe Trails begin to overlap; and

WHEREAS, the Committee recommended that Council decide that from the "T" intersection to the Davidson River Campground in the Pisgah National Forest will be designated as the Estatoe trail, which extends the Estatoe trail significantly from its original route, and from that same "T" intersection to Main St. in Downtown Brevard will be designated as the Ecusta Trail; and

WHEREAS, the remaining portions of the trail, existing and planned, that are beyond Main St. will remain unnamed for now.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BREVARD, NORTH CAROLINA THAT:

Section 1. The Brevard City Council hereby affirms that the Estatoe Trail is from the "T" intersection near Oskar Blues to the Davidson River Campground in the Pisgah National Forest, the Ecusta Trail is from the "T" intersection near Oskar Blues to Main St., and the remaining portions of the trail, existing and planned, that are beyond Main St. will remain unnamed for now.

Adopted and approved this the _____ day of _____, 2026.

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Maureen Copelof
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Denise Hodsdon, CMC
City Clerk