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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

TO: Mayor Blad and Council Members

FROM: John Banks, Parks & Recreation Director
Merril Quayle, Public Works Development Engineer

RE: **Portneuf Greenway Foundation: Request for Council Support of Idaho Parks and Recreation (IDPR) Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grant Application**

DATE: February 3, 2022

Portneuf Greenway Foundation requests City Council support for an Idaho Parks and Recreation (IDPR) Recreational Trails Program (RTP) grant application to fund an extension of the Brennan Trail on the western side of the North Main Extension.

The Trails Working Group and the Portneuf Greenway Foundation are seeking City Council support for a grant application under the IDPR's Recreational Trails Program (RTP) to help fund construction of a segment of multi-use pathway from the north end of the existing Brennan Trail to the North Main Extension.

Construction of this trail section would create a continuous bicycle and pedestrian route along the North Main Extension, from the Pacific Rail Trailhead to Old Town.

The Brennan Trail Extension would cost approximately \$60,000. The required match for the project is 25 percent and the Portneuf Greenway Foundation would fund the full match of \$15,000. The City of Pocatello would have full ownership of the path upon completion.

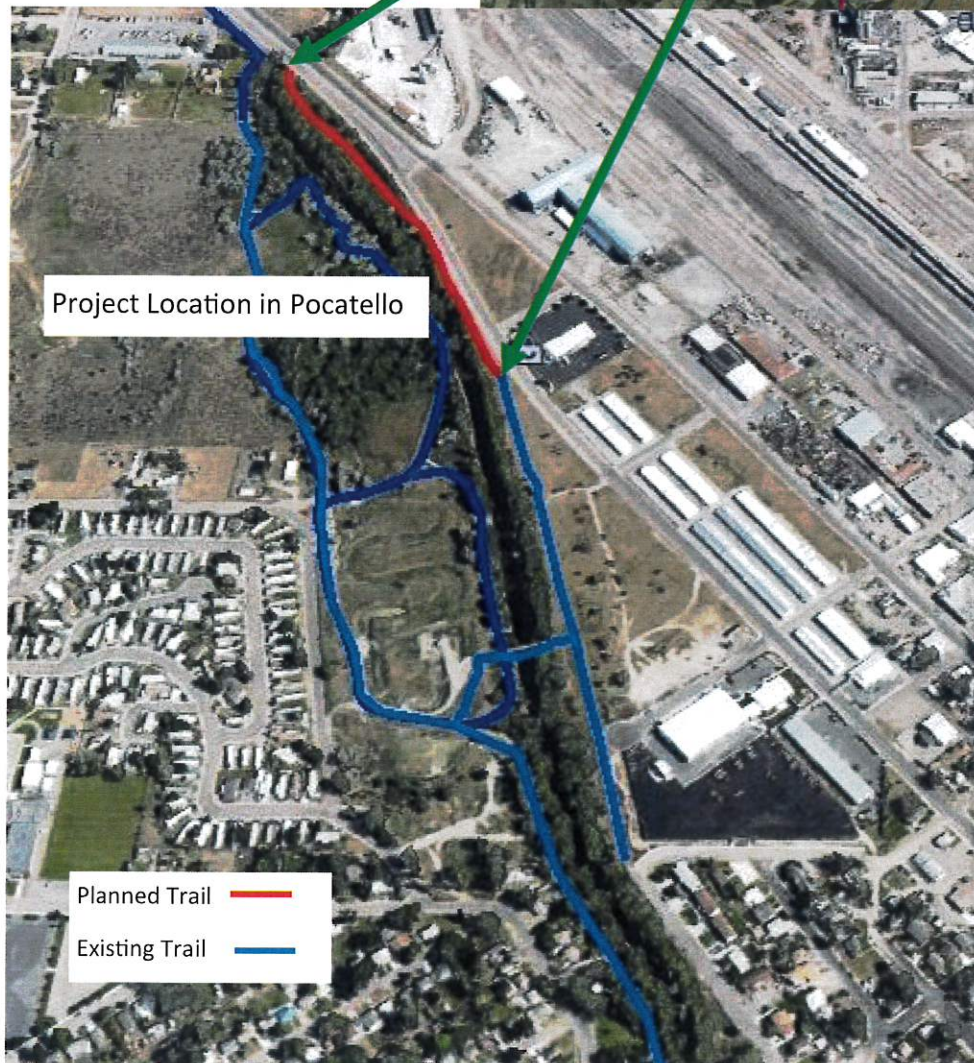
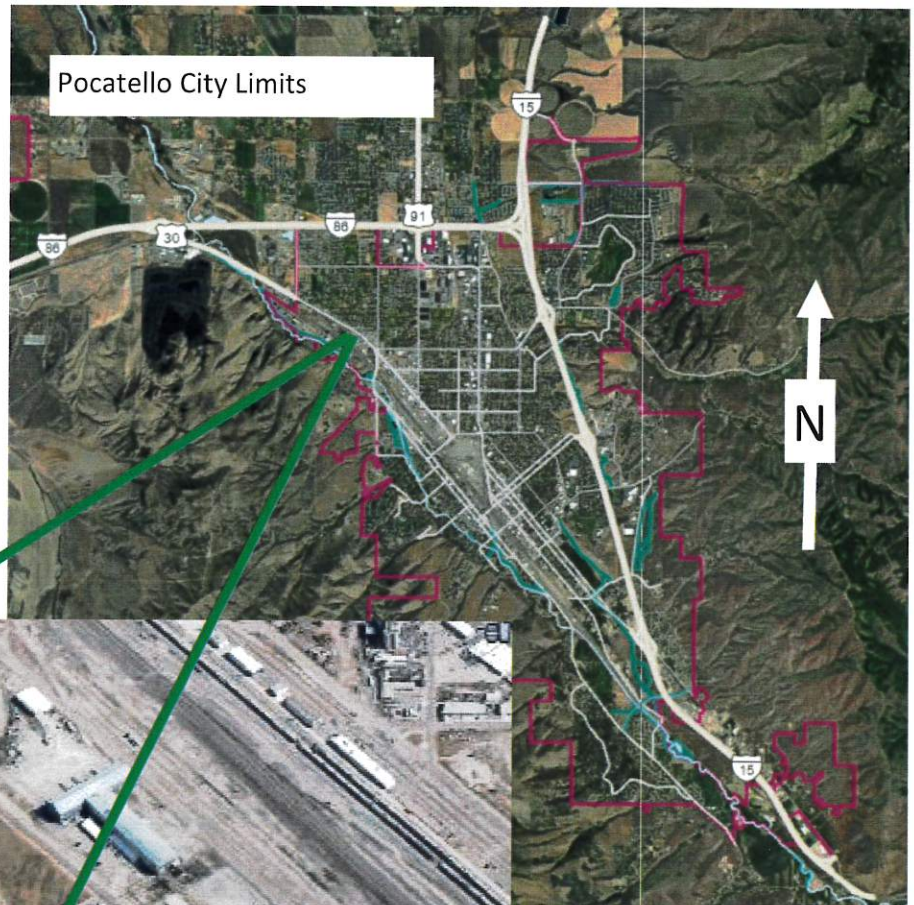
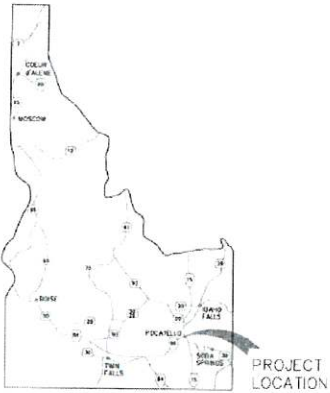
Parks & Recreation Department Staff view these types of collaborative projects as opportunities to fund the vast majority of costs associated with major expansions of recreational opportunities in Pocatello, which contribute greatly to the quality of life in our community.

Having the formal support of City Council is needed to apply for and potentially secure Idaho Department of Parks and Recreation funds. The Portneuf Greenway will take full responsibility for the grant process from start to finish, including:

- Grant Application Submittal (*under the Portneuf Greenway's 501-c3 non-profit organization number*)
- Project Design and Solicitation/Securing of Construction Services
- Tracking and Reporting of Financials to Granting Agency (IDPR)

Staff recommends that City Council support the Portneuf Greenway Foundation's RTP Grant Application to IDPR to fund an extension of the Brennan Trail to the North Main Extension; and if awarded, authorize their acceptance of the grant and authorize the Mayor to sign, subject to Legal Department review, documents related to the grant, if necessary; and accept ownership of the trail upon completion.

Idaho Parks and Recreation RTP Application Map



Brennan Trail
Extension

