

RESOLUTION NO. 2014-154

A RESOLUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 23 ½ "RECREATION AREAS" OF THE CODE OF LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 23 ½ - 5, "RECREATIONAL LAND REGULATION" ESTABLISHING THE PERMITTED USES FOR THE AMELIA ISLAND MULTI-USE PATH NETWORK AND DIRECTING THE COUNTY ENGINEER TO PLACE APPROPRIATE SIGNAGE WITH RULES.

WHEREAS the Amelia Island multi-use path network is defined as the currently existing segments of separated multi-use path running within rights-of-way of A1A(First Coast Hwy), A1A(Fletcher Avenue), and Amelia Island Parkway within Nassau County, Florida.

WHEREAS Nassau County is actively seeking to expand the multi-use path network on Amelia Island as part of an initiative to be the best place on the First Coast of Florida to bicycle and walk; and

WHEREAS expansion of the Amelia Island multi-use path network is currently programmed as part of Florida Department of Transportation's five(5) year Capital Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS the Amelia Island Trail Association has petitioned the Board of County Commissioners and the Planning and Zoning Board to adopt rules for the use of the multi-use paths in Nassau County; and

WHEREAS Nassau County in partnership with the City of Fernandina Beach is actively seeking a Bicycle Friendly Community designation from the League of American Bicyclist for Amelia Island in its entirety; and

WHEREAS the adoption of standardized rules for multi-use path utilization will assist in securing a Bicycle Friendly Community designation; and

WHEREAS the Amelia Island multi-use path network represents a valuable asset to Nassau County and it is in the best interest of Nassau County to protect this asset for the enjoyment of all visitors and residents by adopting certain rules; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA THAT:

SECTION 1.

The above recitals are hereby incorporated in the body of this Resolution, and are adopted as Findings of Fact.

SECTION 2.

In accordance with 23 1/2, the uses permitted on recreational multi-use paths in Nassau County shall be in accordance with Exhibit A

SECTION 3.

The text in attached Exhibit A will generally be used on signage for current and future multi-use paths on Amelia Island. The text may be modified provided the general intent of allowable uses are not changed.

DULY ADOPTED THIS 8th DAY OF December, 2014 BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA



PAT EDWARDS
Its: Chair

ATTEST as to Chairman's Signature:



JOHN A. CRAWFORD
Its: Ex-Officio Clerk

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12-09-14

Approved as to form



Mollie M. Garrett, Esq.

~~COUNTY ATTORNEY~~

Exhibit A - Proposed Trail Rules

EXHIBIT A

TRAIL RULES
FOR
AMELIA ISLAND TRAIL

Welcome to the Amelia Island Trail. We hope you enjoy your outing. For your safety and safety of other users, please follow these rules:

1. No motorized vehicles ~~including electric bikes, scooters, segways, ATVs, golf carts.~~
(Exceptions: Powered wheelchairs, official trail business traffic)
(Exceptions: Electric ADA mobility device up to 10mph, or vehicle used for official trail business).
2. No horses.
3. All traffic stay right except to pass. Step off trail when stopped.
4. When passing provide audible warning (ring bell or say: "passing on your left").
5. Helmets recommended. Bicyclists under age 16 MUST wear helmets.
6. Bicyclists and skaters yield to pedestrians. No racing or pace lines.
7. Obey all posted signs for stop, yield, speed limits, etc.
8. No littering, alcoholic beverages, glass containers, drugs.
9. Respect private property. Stay on trail right-of-way. Be courteous to all.
10. Pets must be on leash less than 6' long and under control. Clean up pet waste.
11. Be alert; watch for crossing vehicle traffic, trail hazards and other users.
12. Organized events over 20 people must have prior approval by Nassau County.

Report Trail Hazards To 904-XXX-XXXX.

In Emergency, Call 9-1-1.