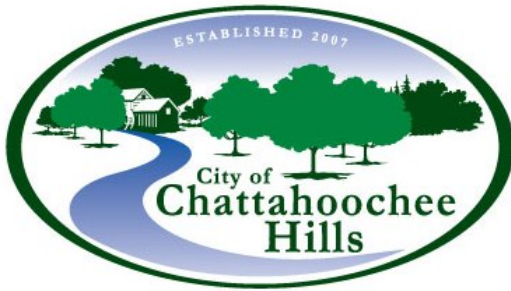


**Agenda**  
**Regular Work Session of the Mayor and Council**  
**City of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia**  
**January 7, 2020 / 4:00 p.m.**

**Discussion Items**

1. Council Meeting Agenda Review – Robbie Rokovitz
2. Small LED sign at Cochran Mill Park – Robbie Rokovitz

**Mayor and Council Reports and Comments**



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DATE: December 30, 2019 for January 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Council Meeting  
RE: Parks and Recreation – Programmable LED sign for CMP

### **Staff Recommendation**

Consider the approval of purchasing one (1) programmable LED sign for Cochran Mill Park to announce trail/park closures and other emergency messages.

### **Background**

Cochran Mill Park has many miles of trails that have been built and maintained by volunteers over the years. A lot of time, energy and effort has gone into making these trails what they are today. These trails are used by hikers, horseback riders and mountain bikers. However, the trails are closed when they are muddy so they do not get destroyed.

### **Discussion**

At the last Parks Commission meeting, there was some discussion on how the trails are closed when the topography is too wet or muddy. Currently, the way these trails are closed is by a sign that is placed by one of the Parks Commission members who volunteers his time. This is very time consuming and cannot always be done in advance to protect these trails. Additionally, we should not have to rely on one person who is a volunteer to be responsible for making sure the trails are closed when needed. What if he is out of town or unavailable. This is why I am recommending a more current updated method of notifying park users that the trails are closed. This new method is the installing of a small LED sign that can be programmed remotely from a smart phone.

Recognizing that we do not like lighted signs in our community while also recognizing that there is technology available to provide better services, I think a small and somewhat innocuous sign that can be programmed by staff or volunteers may just be the solution we are seeking. One example I have located is a 40" by 14" sign that can display characters and numbers in red and programmed from an iPhone/Android Phone using a free App from Apple Store and Google Play. It is also programmable by usb flash disk through pc software.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The fiscal impact is nominal. Most of the signs I have found are less than \$500.

