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Rock Hill City Council supports plans for trail

Rock Hill sits at the center of one of the boldest outdoor recreation initiatives to hit the Charlotte region.

The Carolina Thread Trail is expected to enter the city via a new U.S. 21 bridge over the Catawba River, making Rock Hill a prime place for outdoor lovers to start hikes or to canoe or kayak down the river.

That's the word from the Catawba Lands Conservancy, which earned support from Rock Hill leaders this week. The City Council signed off on a resolution embracing the trail.

"It's pretty obvious that Rock Hill is at the epicenter of this project," said Saxby Chaplin of the Trust for Public Land.

The Thread Trail, under the leadership of the Catawba Lands Conservancy, will be a regional network of trails and greenways.

Potential pieces of the trail already are in place in York County. For example, a 2-mile section of the Nation Ford Trail in Fort Mill running along Sugar Creek is a likely link.

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