GREENWAY LINKAGES PLAN
(For Southern Overland Park)

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The Greenway Linkages Guidelines are developed for use in the development of an extensive system of linear open spaces, most of which will have bike/pedestrian trails, buffers between streets and other uses, as a means to conserve areas of natural or historic value, or as an enhancement to a community’s parks and natural or historic values, or as an enhancement to a community’s parks and natural or historic values.

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What is a Greenway Linkage?
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What are the Greenway Linkages Plan and Guidelines?
The Greenway Linkages Plan and Guidelines are two separate documents. The Greenway Linkages Plan provides a policy framework for the development of greenway linkages and parkland. The Guidelines, which are only reviewed periodically, are a more detailed document from the Comprehensive Plan. The Guidelines describe in text and show displays the ultimate system of greenway linkages proposed in the City.

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How can you use the Greenway Linkages Plan and Guidelines?
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What is the process for acquiring individual linkages?
The greenway linkage is identified and specified in the site planning for a preliminary plat or a subdivision, preliminary plan, or a special use permit application. The Plan and the Guidelines are also used to plan for the development of greenway linkages. The greenway linkage is identified and specified in the site planning for a preliminary plat or a subdivision, preliminary plan, or a special use permit application.

Second, the land identified on the regional greenway linkages plan is transferred to the City of Overland Park at the time of the final plat or the final development plan approval.

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