# Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of East Point and the Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association (SORBA)

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this MOU is to establish a framework of cooperation upon which mutually beneficial work projects and bicycling activities may be planned and accomplished by the City of East Point, Georgia and Southern Off-Road Bicycle Association (SORBA), Atlanta Chapter working cooperatively at Sykes Park. Such programs, projects, and activities will complement the City of East Point and are in best interest of the public.

#### Introduction

City of East Point Parks and Recreation department is responsible for natural resource management at Sykes Park. All hiking and mountain biking opportunities fall under the direction of the City of East Point Parks and Recreation department.

## City of East Point Parks shall:

- 1. Make Sykes Park available for the furtherance of this MOU subject to applicable City laws, regulations, and management direction.
- 2. Provide SORBA information regarding lands available for multi-use trails to be constructed in the City of East Point.
- 3. Provide SORBA guidance as to trail limits within the parks in the City of East Point.
- 4. Acknowledge the time and efforts of SORBA volunteers as an in-kind contribution to City Parks and to the City of East Point approximately equal to, but not to exceed, the commercial value of such labor and services.
- 5. Provide City of East Point information relating to all projects in the City's Park system.

# The SORBA Atlanta as an affiliate of the International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA) shall:

- 1. Provide technical assistance and volunteer labor to the land managers involved in work projects and mountain bicycling opportunities. This is to include construction and maintenance of the trail and management suggestions during and after the trails are completed.
- 2. Encourage its members to work with City of East Point officials to identify and discuss opportunities for cooperative work on mutually beneficial projects or activities.
- 3. The design, construction, and maintenance of Sykes Park trails will follow the standard adopted by the City of East Point in the USDA book: *Trail Construction and Maintenance Notebook*.
- 4. SORBA may provide comments about proposed improvements to the Park. Any trail plans or modifications proposed by SORBA must be approved by City of East Point Parks Commission prior to trail construction.

5. All requests for projects undertaken by SORBA must be submitted in writing to the City of East Point Parks and Recreation Department. Work may begin only after approval for projects has been granted in writing.

### It is mutually agreed and understood by and between said parties that:

- 1. This MOU is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any endeavor involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the parties of this MOU will be handled in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and procedures. Such endeavors will be outlined in separate agreements that shall be made in writing by representatives of the parties.
- 2. This MOU may be modified or amended upon written consent of both parties or may be terminated with 60-day written notice of either party.
- 3. Nothing in this memorandum shall obligate the City of East Point Parks and Recreation department to SORBA to expand appropriations or to enter in any contract or other obligation.
- 4. The cooperators shall comply with all Federal Statutes relating to non-discrimination and all applicable requirements of all Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies. These include but are not limited to (a) Title IV of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (40 U.S.C. 2000), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, handicap, or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681-1683), which prohibits discrimination on basis of sex.

5. The principle contacts for this agreemen	nt are:	2
Brett Davidson, President IMBA-SORBA Atlanta Chapter	Signature	3/12/17
Wayne Whitesides, Vice President IMBA-SORBA Atlanta	Signature	Mobile 3/14/17
Janquell Peters, Mayor City Of East Point, Georgia	Signature	Date
Jonathan Penn, Director Parks & Recreation City of East Point, Georgia	Signature	Date