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(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC), requesting authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) to assist DPRC in completing its Park and Open Space Plan and conducting a Milwaukee County Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment, with the understanding that DPRC will compensate SEWRPC in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 by using remaining 2014 funds allocated for professional services, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture’s (DPRC’s) Park and Open Space Plan (Park Plan) consists of recommendations for the preservation of primary environmental corridors within Milwaukee County, resource-oriented outdoor recreation recommendations enabling the recreational use of rivers, inland lakes, and Lake Michigan, and an urban outdoor recreation plan providing recommendations for the number and distribution of local parks and outdoor recreational facilities required throughout the County; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) assisted DPRC in the preparation of the Park Plan; and

WHEREAS, DPRC is negotiating with SEWRPC to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding to assist DPRC in updating the Park Plan by incorporating new land use, natural resource inventory, demographic planning, and other data, revised development objectives and recommendations, and additional updates to the Park Plan; and

WHEREAS, DPRC is further negotiating with SEWRPC to conduct a comprehensive Needs Assessment for the Parks System, in which SEWRPC would provide DPRC with a recommended ten-year capital improvements plan through a needs analysis, public needs survey, and public and stakeholder involvement; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of SEWRPC’s work on the Park Plan and the Needs Assessment for the Parks System, DPRC shall compensate SEWRPC in an amount not to exceed \$200,000 and DPRC will use remaining 2014 funds allocated for professional services for such compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of January 27, 2015, recommended adoption of the Director’s request (vote 7-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of January 29, 2015, also recommended adoption of the Director’s request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
48 authorizes the Parks Director, Department of Administrative Services, Corporation
49 Counsel, Office of the Comptroller, and Risk Management to prepare, review, approve,
50 and execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Southeastern Wisconsin
51 Regional Planning Commission to assist the Department of Parks, Recreation, and
52 Culture in completing its Park and Open Space Plan and conducting a Milwaukee
53 County Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment.

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