

**COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE**  
Inter-Office Communication

Date: June 23, 2023

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: From the Executive Director of Milwaukee County Parks requesting authorization to apply for and accept State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Recreational Boating Grants

File Type: Action Report

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**REQUEST**

Milwaukee County Parks requesting authorization to apply for and accept State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Recreational Boating Grants

**POLICY**

State statute provides that the County Board may accept donations and grants for any public governmental purpose within the powers of the county.

Wisconsin State Statutes:	59.52 (19)
Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	

**BACKGROUND**

The McKinley Marina Parking lots have been incrementally improved through various approved capital projects since master planning was completed in 2015. Capital funding was allocated in 2018, 2020 and 2022 for phases 1 and 2 of the parking lot and related amenities. Industry and county capacity, supply chain challenges and inflation have increased expenses have reduced components of the originally scoped project. Parks is pursuing additional funding sources to ensure that all components of the project will be completed. Parks is requesting authorization to apply for and accept a State of Wisconsin, Department of Natural Resources Recreational Boating Program grant for the McKinley Marina boat launch. Great Lakes launch sites have funding up to \$1.5 million available.

Related File No's:	17-674, 19-805, 21-920
Previous Action Date(s):	11/06/2017, 11/12/2019, 11/12/2021

## **ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN**

This request aligns to the strategic plan by enhancing the county's fiscal health and sustainability. Parks is looking to be as efficient and creative as possible to fund improvements to existing infrastructure.

## **FISCAL EFFECT**

The grant has two available paths for award which include either a 50% or 20% local match. The match would be requested through additional capital appropriation in 2024 departmental capital request. The estimated local match for 50% would be approximately \$750,000 or \$300,000 with a local 20% match.

## **TERMS**

Applications are open on a rolling quarterly basis.

## **VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES**

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## **ATTACHMENTS:**

Resolution

Fiscal Note

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