From the Executive Director of Milwaukee County Parks requesting authorization to apply for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grants, by recommending adoption of the following:

A REVISED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a State of Wisconsin (the State) legislative program that aligns with the Federal Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program, authorized by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the FAST Act eliminates the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) Transportation Alternatives Program, and replaces it with a set-aside of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funding for transportation alternatives; and

WHEREAS, these STBG set-aside funds include all projects and activities that were previously eligible under TAP, encompassing a variety of smaller-scale transportation projects, such as pedestrian and bicycle facilities, recreational trails, safe routes to school projects, and community improvements such as historic preservation; and

WHEREAS, eligible TAP projects must:

 Fit within one of the Federal eligibility categories, and must comply with all Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) TAP policies, as outlined in WisDOT TAP guidelines

• The project must relate to surface transportation

 The project must have an eligible sponsor
The project must be selected through a competitive process

; and

WHEREAS, WisDOT is programming this award cycle under the assumption that funding and program rules will continue as is currently established through the State budget, at a level of approximately \$7.05 million annually; and

WHEREAS, projects are funded at 80 percent Federal cost-share basis, with a minimum 20 percent required local match; and

WHEREAS, the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC), recommends that the DPRC be authorized to apply for up to four TAP grants; and

WHEREAS, the identified projects for TAP funding are priorities for the DPRC for repair, equity access, and future trail connections for citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of January 28, 2020, recommended adoption of File No. 20-89 (vote 4-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) hereby retroactively authorize the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC), to apply for up to four of the following projects for Transportation Alternative Program grant funding:

- Oak Leaf Trail Union Pacific Segment Stone Culvert Replacement
- Root River Line Oak Leaf Trail Flood Mitigation and Sustainability Improvements
- Lincoln Creek and Northside Trail Connectivity Study
- Trail Wayfinding Signage Installation on Parkways and Municipal Streets

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board hereby authorizes the DPRC to apply for additional grant funding for projects within the scope of: Oak Leaf Trail Union Pacific Segment Stone Culvert Replacement, Root River Line Oak Leaf Trail Flood Mitigation and Sustainability Improvements, Lincoln Creek and Northside Trail Connectivity Study, and Trail Wayfinding Signage and Installation on Parkways and Municipal Streets, through December 31, 2020.

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