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From the Zoo Director, Requesting Approval to Enter into an Agreement with the Zoological Society of Milwaukee for the Development of a Design for a New Rhinoceros Exhibit for the Milwaukee County Zoo, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the March 26, 2020, adopted Memorandum of Understanding between Milwaukee County (the County) and the County Zoo (the Zoo) requires that a specific agreement will be executed for each new capital project at the Zoo; and

WHEREAS, the County and the Zoo wish to jointly develop a new Rhinoceros Exhibit (the Exhibit) for the Zoo, as Phase III of the Adventure Africa complex outlined in the 2013 master plan; and

WHEREAS, the 2020 Zoo Capital Budget included \$902,100, with 50 percent, or \$451,050, contributed by the Zoo for the design of the Exhibit; and

WHEREAS, the Rhinoceros Exhibit Design Project Agreement (the Agreement) describes the source of funds, contract documents, consultant selection process, and project management; and

WHEREAS, the Exhibit will address the Association of Zoos and Aquariums accreditation standards for maintaining rhinoceros; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Corporation Counsel, the Risk Management Division, Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Community Business Development Partners, DAS, the Office of the Comptroller, and the Zoo’s attorneys; and

WHEREAS, this Agreement has been concurred in by the Zoo Director and President and Chief Executive Officer of the County Zoological Society; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of November 1, 2021, recommended adoption of File No. 21-905 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Milwaukee County Zoo, is hereby authorized and directed to enter into the said Rhinoceros Exhibit Design Project Agreement with the Zoological Society of Milwaukee County.