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(ITEM ) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting retroactive authorization to apply for one or more Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry grants, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) makes grant funding available for municipalities, Tribes, and non-profit agencies to support new, innovative projects that will develop sustainable urban and community forestry programs and align with the DNR’s program objectives for the year; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) has been a recipient of DNR Urban Forestry (UF) grant funding in the past which resulted in the creation of the Milwaukee County Emerald Ash Borer Preparedness and Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has proposed a project entitled “Milwaukee County Parks Tree Priority Zone Inventory and Sustainability Plan” which will assist DPRC in gathering specific data on its tree inventory with the goal of developing a detailed management plan; and

WHEREAS, funding of \$25,000 is available and because UF grants are competitive and cost-share grants, DPRC will propose an in-kind match of \$32,427.60 using existing staff time; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby retroactively authorizes the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to apply for one or more Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry grants.