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From the Economic Development Director, Department of Administrative Services requesting authorization to support Metcalfe Park Community Bridges (MPCB) in their application for, acceptance, and implementation of a Community Development Investment Grant in a maximum amount of \$250,000 from the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to assist in their 2600 N 38th Street Liberation Hub development, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) is the State of Wisconsin’s lead economic development agency, focused on sustainable business growth and job creation; and

WHEREAS, WEDC’s Community Development Investment Grant (CDIG) Program is meant to “support urban, small city and rural community redevelopment efforts by providing financial incentives for shovel-ready projects with emphasis on, but not limited to, downtown community driven efforts,” by providing grants to local businesses with the support of local municipalities for use on specific projects which “demonstrate significant, measureable benefits in job opportunities, property values and/or leveraged investment by local and private partners”; and

WHEREAS, Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services, is seeking authorization to serve as government support for Metcalfe Park Community Bridges (MPCB) to apply for a Tier 3 CDIG, in an amount up to \$250,000, to assist in the development efforts of their 2600 North 38th Street Liberation Hub development project (the Project); and

WHEREAS, development efforts involve the adaptive reuse and then eventual expansion of an underutilized building in the heart of the City of Milwaukee into an office space and community resource center; and

WHEREAS, the goals of the Project are to develop this property into a resource that serves the immediate needs of the community, builds long-term economic infrastructure, and creates a permanent space for organizing, healing, entrepreneurship, and collective power; and

WHEREAS, the required 75-percent local match shall be satisfied by public and private funding secured by MPCB; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Community, Environment, and Economic Development, at its meeting of January 26, 2026, recommended adoption of File No. 26-191 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,

46 BE IT RESOLVED, Economic Development, Department of Administrative
47 Services, is hereby authorized to support Metcalfe Park Community Bridges, in order for
48 them to apply for, and if awarded, accept Community Development Investment Grant
49 funds in an amount up to \$250,000 from the Wisconsin Economic Development
50 Corporation, to assist in funding the efforts of their 2600 North 38th Street Liberation
51 Hub development project.

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