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Subject: RE: Lakefront Development Advisory Commission review of Veteran's Park proposal for EV Charging Stations
Date: July 29, 2025 at 7:50 AM
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Mr. Lynch,

Attached are two separate renderings. Level 3 fast chargers will allow for much faster charging but require a bigger electrical box. That is what we are currently proposing because there are no fast chargers in downtown Milwaukee and current federal rules prohibit us from putting these in parking lots or structures that you have to pay to enter. We are open to public feedback on whether we do Level 2 or Level 3 charging.

We are open to input on the colors. We chose green for this rendering to try to blend into the surroundings as much as possible. But I think the electrical boxes could be a canvas for public art, as well, if people want that.

As for environmental considerations, all the sites are, including this one, are undergoing federal NEPA environmental review but we do not anticipate problems. There are already many areas of Veterans Park that have electric power, and we are simply working in an existing parking lot.

As you review this project, I hope you and your committee will keep in mind the threats of climate change not only to our parks, but to our whole quality of life in general. I was reminded of this as Canadian wildfire smoke this summer made breathing more difficult and obscured the views. This project is trying to move our transportation system away from the fossil fuels that drive global warming and I hope you and the other LDAC committee members see this project as part of the solution. Again, I view EV charging as an amenity in our parks for people who are trying make good environmental choices while also suggesting EV ownership to the many annual visitors to the park.

Thank you for your consideration.



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Hi Erick,

Thanks for your prompt reply. I will contact you soon with some possible dates for an LDAC meeting and public hearing. As I often do, I try to anticipate what issues and facts may come up in Commission discussion and public comments. The goal is to avoid delays in making a recommendation while factual matters and issues are resolved. I anticipate there may be questions about the utility connection, including the extent of trenching that may be required. Because the area is land fill, much of which may be toxic, will the project's implementation have adverse environmental effects? I see you have an estimate for these costs in your budget for the project. The visual impact of the utility box may also spur some discussion. Bill Lynch

On Jul 15, 2025, at 11:20 PM, Shambarger, Erick <eshamb@milwaukee.gov> wrote:

Hi Bill,

The Milwaukee Common Council today granted approval to advance the first 13 sites, including Veterans Park. We request that the Lakefront Development Advisory Commission review the project and hope you will find our proposal minimally intrusive and a beneficial amenity.

We presented information files to two County Board Committees, but they will not take a formal vote until after the federal construction funds are released, a vendor has been selected to manage the stations, and easements are prepared. I expect that we will not have any of that in place by the end of the year. Ideally, we'll get that sorted out in Q1, 2026 and commence construction in Q2 or Q3 of 2026 if we get the necessary approvals. It should be noted that we are proposing "Level 2" chargers at this site which require less infrastructure than Level 3 fast chargers.

Attached are answers to the questions on your form, including the proposed site layout.

Please let me know if you or Advisory Board members have questions or if there is an upcoming meeting where we should be prepared to discuss this proposal. Thank you for your consideration.

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Hello Erick, Will the County Parks Department continue to pursue Veterans' Park as a site for EV charging stations? If so, what is your understanding of the time frame for pursuit of the proposal? If it is uncertain that Veterans' Park will be pursued, it may not be necessary for you to prepare the LDAC request for review. Your thoughts? Bill Lynch

On Jul 11, 2025, at 1:00 PM, Shambarger, Erick
<eshamb@milwaukee.gov> wrote:

Received. We will complete the form.

Mr. Wasserman, I'm happy to further address any of your concerns if you would like to discuss.

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Dear Mr. Shambarger,

It is my understanding that the City of Milwaukee is proposing development of ev charging stations in Veterans Park. Proposals for new development on public land in Milwaukee County along the shore of Lake Michigan are subject to review by the Lakefront Development Advisory Commission (LDAC). I have been appointed to the Commission as a City of Milwaukee resident by Mayor Johnson and I chair the Commission. Our Commission reviews new development proposals, holds a public hearing and applies criteria that have been adopted by the City and Milwaukee County and makes a recommendation to the City or the County body considering the development. LDAC's Vision, Mission and Criteria are attached. Also attached are the procedures to follow to submit a request for LDAC review. I try to schedule Commission meetings and public hearings for the mutual convenience of the Commission the developer and the public. Please let me know that you have received this communication. Feel free to call me or text me or email me regarding this process. William Lynch, 414-732-9142, billlynch@me.com.

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