



June Board Cycle

Milwaukee County Parks

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Date: May 20, 2020

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: **Easement Request from MCImetro Access Transmission Services for an Underground Telecommunication system within the Root River Parkway (ACTION)**

Issue

Authorization to execute a twenty-five year easement with one (1) ten-year renewal with MCImetro Access Transmission Services (MCImetro) to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an underground telecommunication system across parkland.

Background

Declaratory rulings by the Federal Communications Commission and subsequent state law prohibit local governments from adopting regulations or taking actions that prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting wireless or wireline telecommunication services.

The easement requested serves Small Wireless Facilities (SWF) on Root River Parkway. All installation work will be underground and installed by MCImetro and their contractors. Permission for installation work is granted through the Parks Right-of-Entry permit process. Granting the permanent easement is necessary for the long-term operation of the utility and requires authorization from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the County Executive.

The easement is for twenty-five years with one (1) ten-year renewal. The fee for the easement is five dollars per lineal foot and includes an annual 3% increase. The lineal footage of the easement is 3,812 and the first-year fee will be \$19,060. The annual fee will be equally distributed between the trail maintenance trust and the playground trust.

Recommendation

Parks' Executive Director recommends authorization to prepare, review, approve, execute, record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions required to grant a twenty-five years easement with one (1) ten-year renewal for underground telecommunications to MCImetro for the construction, operation and maintenance of the electric



service in Root River Parkway. It is further recommended that that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents to effectuate this easement.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks



Attachments

- Attachment 1 – Resolution
- Attachment 2 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 3 – Easement with Exhibit

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