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(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to apply for funding from the Menomonee Watershed Group for one or more projects to take place within the Menomonee River Watershed, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Menomonee Watershed Group is comprised of a collection of communities that fall within the 136-square-mile watershed of the Menomonee River; and

WHEREAS, a watershed-based Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit has been granted by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources to this group of communities so that funds may be targeted toward collaborating on projects designed to target specific stakeholders, pollutants, and/or geographic areas or land uses to meet the needs and characteristics of the Menomonee River Watershed; and

WHEREAS, there is no required match for this funding; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture project proposal would focus on the reconstruction and renewal project planned for the Menomonee River Parkway during 2014 and 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of April 15, 2014, recommended adoption of the Department’s request (vote 7-0); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of April 17, 2014, also recommended adoption of the Department’s request (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to apply for funding from the Menomonee Watershed Group for one or more projects to take place within the Menomonee River Watershed.