

From the Executive Director of Parks, requesting authorization to grant a 20-year conservation easement to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District for the grant-funded green infrastructure project located at McKinley Marina, just north of downtown on the lakefront, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in 2021, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) requested and was granted approval from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors to apply for certain grants for the redevelopment of the McKinley Marina (the Marina) in adopted File No. 21-250, and one of the grants applied for was the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) Green Infrastructure (GI) Partnership Program (the Program); and

WHEREAS, DPRC was awarded the GI Program grant by MMSD in 2021; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the GI is to reduce impervious surfaces to meet Milwaukee County's (the County's) stormwater management goals in an innovative approach that is cost-effective, sustainable, and environmentally friendly; and

WHEREAS, the grant provides \$147,291 towards the construction of GI elements for Phase 2 redevelopment of the Marina parking lots at 1700 North Lincoln Memorial Drive; and

WHEREAS, the project included replacing the parking lot to improve internal circulation and parking lot infrastructure, new LED lighting, a new fish cleaning station, boat launch improvements, new boat storage area, new storm drainage system, and improving nearshore water quality, utilizing GI and storm water best management practices; and

WHEREAS, the GI project included installation of 3,500 square feet of native landscaping, 9,790 square feet of porous pavement, 24 trees, and 7,280 square feet of bioswale, providing a detention capacity of 85,430 gallons; and

WHEREAS, grant funding provided by MMSD requires that the project area be protected and maintained through a Limited Conservation Easement (the Easement), to ensure the functionality of the GI for 20 years; and

WHEREAS, the Easement area only applies to specific areas of the Marina property that contain the GI elements; and

WHEREAS, the County retains ownership of the land, and must operate and maintain the GI elements for the duration of the Easement; and

47 WHEREAS, the Director, DPRC, recommends that MMSD be granted a 20-year
48 Easement, which requires DPRC to keep, preserve, and maintain the GI as required by
49 the terms of the grant; and
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51 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of June 10,
52 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-372 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,
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54 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
55 authorizes the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, the Department
56 of Administrative Services (DAS), the Register of Deeds, Corporation Counsel, and Risk
57 Management, DAS, to prepare, review, approve, execute, record all documents, and
58 take all actions as required to grant the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District the
59 required 20-year Conservation Easement (the Easement), to allow for the keeping,
60 preserving, and maintaining of the Green Infrastructure on the property at McKinley
61 Marina, 1700 North Lincoln Memorial Drive; and
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63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Executive and County Clerk are
64 authorized to execute the Easement and other required documents.
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