



April Board Cycle

Milwaukee County Parks

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Date: March 19, 2021

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: Permanent Floodwater easement to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) in Hart Park and Doyne Park along the Menomonee River - **ACTION**

Issue

Parks requests authorization to grant a permanent floodwater easement to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) in Hart Park and Doyne Park along the Menomonee River.

Background

MMSD is partnering with Milwaukee County, the City of Milwaukee, and City of Wauwatosa to make flood risk reduction improvements along the Menomonee River in Western Milwaukee along West State Street between North 60 Street and USH 175. This project is part of the larger MMSD Menomonee River Watercourse Management Plan which aims to reduce the risk of flooding for over 300 homes and businesses.

In furtherance of its watercourse management plan and as required by Wisconsin's Floodplain Management Program MMSD is requesting an estimated 0.05 acre permanent floodwater easement to allow flood waters to flow on and off the County's property at Hart Park and Doyne Park along the Menomonee River as a result of a minor increase in floodplain elevation. Land within the easement area will be subject to floodplain zoning requirements. Current uses such as passive recreation/parkland are allowable under the floodplain zoning requirements.

Parks has reviewed MMSD's plans for the floodwater easement and finds them consistent with its present and future plans for Hart Park and Doyne Park, with minimal impacts to surrounding areas. This easement will be permanent and will be for approximately 0.05 acres. Due to the diminutive size of the easement area, the minimal impact to parkland, and the benefit to the community the fee for this easement has been set at \$1.00.

Recommendation



Parks' Executive Director recommends authorizing Parks to prepare, review, approve, execute, record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions required to grant a permanent floodwater easement to MMSD in Hart Park and Doyme Park along the Menomonee River. It is further recommended that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents to carry out this action.

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

Attachments

- Resolution
- Fiscal Note
- MMSD Floodwater Easement

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