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(ITEM) A resolution by Supervisors Taylor and Borkowski appropriating \$15,000 from surplus capital outlay appropriations in Org. Unit 9120 to operate and maintain Hales Corners and Wedgewood Wading Pools through the remainder of 2015, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the 2015 Recommended Budget called for the closure of four wading pools within the Milwaukee County Park System; and

WHEREAS, the 2015 Adopted Budget authorized the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) to conduct a cost and safety study of four wading pools, including Hales Corners and Wedgewood Wading Pools, to have the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors determine if they should remain open and operating for the remainder of 2015; and

WHEREAS, according to the wading pool safety and operational cost evaluation conducted by DPRC in 2015, the average operational cost of a wading pool is between \$5,000 to \$7,000 annually; and

WHEREAS, both Hales Corners and Wedgewood Wading Pools have been staple amenities within the Milwaukee County Park System for more than 50 years, and their abrupt closure would have a negative impact to their surrounding communities; and

WHEREAS, until Milwaukee County is able to develop a comprehensive plan on how to address the extensive deferred maintenance related to the wading pools, all efforts should be made to maintain our communal amenities; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has budgeted \$874,216 for capital outlay, of which DPRC anticipates a surplus of at least \$15,000; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) will reallocate \$15,000 from surplus capital outlay appropriations in Org. Unit 9120 for "Break Fixes" for purposes of operating and maintaining both Hales Corners and Wedgewood Wading Pools in 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, until a comprehensive plan on how to address the overall maintenance and operation of wading pools is developed, DPRC shall continue to work with the various Friends groups and other agencies to explore sustainable funding options for the wading pools and other park amenities.