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From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to grant two Supplemental Easements to the American Transmission Company, LLC (ATC), for hazard tree removal on parklands in the City of Greenfield, and to accept a one-time payment from ATC in the amount of \$19,000 for the easements, by recommending adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, American Transmission Company, LLC (ATC) holds existing easement rights for parkland parcels in the City of Greenfield located in Milwaukee County (the County); and

WHEREAS, ATC holds existing easement rights dating back to 1957 and 1979, when ATC acquired the right to erect, maintain, and operate high voltage transmission lines for transmitting electrical current; and

WHEREAS, ATC determines the right to enter the easement to survey the transmission line, erect, repair, patrol, replace, and remove the same, including all other acts necessary for the proper erection, maintenance, safeguarding and operation of the line, and the right to control all brush and trees within the easement by cutting or trimming as determined; and

WHEREAS, the two Supplemental Easements for Hazard Tree Removal are changing a clause in the original easements that included an exception to allow trees with mature heights of up to 20 feet within the easement; and

WHEREAS, the supplemental easement will eliminate the exception because of the threat it poses to the safe and reliable operation of the transmission lines; and

WHEREAS, these supplemental easements provide a perpetual right and easement to prohibit any presently existing or future nursery stock, shrubs, or slow growing trees within the easement, and the future right for ATC to remove any presently existing nursery stock, shrubs, or slow growing trees within the easement; together with the right, permission, and authority to enter in a reasonable manner upon the encumbered property for such purpose; and

WHEREAS, the two supplemental easements cover the same area as the original easements; and

WHEREAS, the easements also establish that ATC shall pay a reasonable sum for all damage to property, crops, fences, livestock, lawns, roads, fields, and field tile (other than trees cut down and removed), caused by construction, maintenance, replacement, or removal of said hazard trees or tree parts; and

47 WHEREAS, ATC has offered one-time compensation to the County for the
48 easements in the amount of \$19,000 or \$9,500 per supplemental easement; and
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50 WHEREAS, the Consolidated Facilities Plan Steering Committee, at its meeting
51 of July 20, 2017, reviewed this project; and
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53 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of
54 September 19, 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-611 (vote 4-0); now,
55 therefore,
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57 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
58 authorizes the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to grant two supplemental
59 easements to the American Transmission Company, LLC, for hazardous tree removal,
60 and to accept one-time compensation in the amount of \$19,000 or \$9,500 per
61 supplemental easement.
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