

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: June 21, 2024

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director for Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: Jackson Park Drive Alternative C Update

File Type: Informational Report

REQUEST

This report is for informational purposes and is a response to File #24-350.

POLICY

Wisconsin State Statutes:	
Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	
Specific Adopted Budget:	
Specific Adopted Budget Amendment:	
Specific Adopted Capital Project:	WP071401

BACKGROUND

Milwaukee County Parks seeks to redesign and rebuild a section of Jackson Park Drive. At the Parks and Culture Committee meeting in March 2024, the 4 primary alternatives for this road were presented and discussed. In response to this discussion, the Parks and Culture Committee, and at its meeting on March 21, 2024 the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, approved File #24-350 which states, among other things that -

“BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture to proceed with developing construction plans for a compromise design referred to as “Alternative C” for Capital Project WP071401 (Kinnickinnic River Parkway-Jackson Park Drive), and present the design with estimated construction costs as an informational report to the Board prior to submitting the department’s 2025 capital project requests.”

Prior to the passage of this file Milwaukee County Parks had ordered the detailed cost estimate of Alternative B which is included here for comparison.

Jackson Park Dr Alternative	Description	Amount	Cost
B	Road rebuilt from Cleveland to 51 st St; Trail built from 51 st St to 5600 block	Road – 2,206 feet Trail – 4,414 feet	\$2,963,250
C	Road rebuilt in two section – Cleveland to 51 st St and 5600 block to 53 rd St; Trail built between 53 rd and 51 st St and off street in road sections	Road – 3,895 feet Trail – 4,414 feet	\$3,409,940

Related File No's:	24-313, 24-350
Associated File No's (Including Transfer Packets):	
Previous Action Date(s):	

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Describe how the item aligns to the objectives in the [strategic plan](#):

- 1A: Reflect the full diversity of the County at every level of County government
- 1B: Create and nurture an inclusive culture across County government
- 1C: Increase the number of County contracts awarded to minority and women-owned businesses
- 2A: Determine what, where, and how we deliver services to advance health equity
- 2B: Break down silos across County government to maximize access to and quality of services offered
- 2C: Apply a racial equity lens to all decisions
- 3A: Invest “upstream” to address root causes of health disparities - Parks seeks to reduce pavement the presence of which has a negative environmental impact on its operating and capital budgets. There is a material impact on the amount of pavement included in the final project if Alternative C is pursued instead of Alternative B.
- 3B: Enhance the County’s fiscal health and sustainability – Parks seeks to reduce pavement the presence of which has a negative fiscal impact on its operating and capital budgets.
- 3C: Dismantle barriers to diverse and inclusive communities

FISCAL EFFECT

None

TERMS

None

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

None

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