

From the Executive Director of Milwaukee County Parks, requesting authorization to enter into a Maintenance Agreement with Lake Park Friends for the stabilization and revegetation of the Wahl Avenue Bluff in Lake Park, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Wahl Avenue Bluff (the Bluff) in Lake Park (the Park), between North Avenue and Bellevue Place, contains the highest and steepest slopes in the Park, has limited natural vegetation, is dominated by invasive species, and is prone to erosion; and

WHEREAS, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission's Lake Park Bluff Stability and Community Assessment Report, dated September 2004, determined that this section of the Bluff represents the most disturbed area of the Park; and

WHEREAS, through Lake Park Friends (LPF), local residents have committed funds for the stabilization and revegetation of this Bluff; and

WHEREAS, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture staff have worked with the residents and landscape professionals in the development of a plan, which will introduce native species in place of invasive trees and plants, as well as stabilize the Bluff to minimize erosion; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of these directives, on August 8, 2024, Milwaukee County (the County) approved a Right of Entry Permit (ROE Permit) for LPF to perform maintenance to the Bluff situated in the Park, roughly in the boundary of Bradford Avenue on the South end and East Bellevue Place on the North end, as described in more detail in the ROE Permit, and to perform such maintenance, LPF contracted with a private landscaping professional to perform the scope of work identified in the ROE Permit, pursuant to a proposal dated July 11, 2024, at LPF's sole cost and expense; and

WHEREAS, the Parties agree that the work performed pursuant to the ROE Permit has been completed, and the long-term maintenance will be addressed by a separate Maintenance Agreement (the Agreement); and

WHEREAS, the Parties wish to continue to maintain the Bluff to preserve the investment and work that has already been completed through this Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agreement shall be for an initial ten-year term, and shall be funded at no expense to the County; and

47 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of June 10,
48 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-374 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,
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50 BE IT RESOLVED, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) is
51 hereby authorized to enter into a Maintenance Agreement (the Agreement) with Lake
52 Park Friends for the stabilization and revegetation of the Wahl Avenue Bluff (the Bluff) in
53 Lake Park (the Park); and
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55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, DPRC is authorized to prepare, execute, amend,
56 record all documents, and take all actions necessary as required to execute and
57 implement the Agreement for the stabilization and revegetation of the Bluff located in
58 the Park.
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