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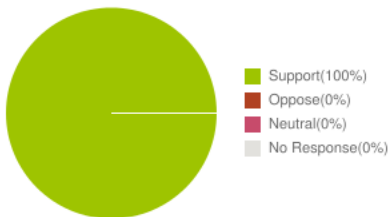
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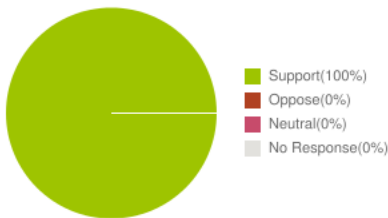
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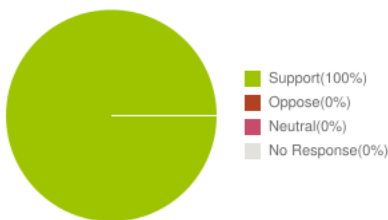
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Agenda Item: eComments for 11 20-733A From the County Executive, submitting the 2021 Recommended Budget.

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Jeremy Ebersole

Location:
 Submitted At: 5:09pm 10-15-20

Save Our Domes, including the Milwaukee Preservation Alliance and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, is grateful to see the County's proposed \$500,001 capital investment in the Mitchell Park Domes via Capital Project WP71801 - Mitchell Domes Mesh/Structure Inspection & Repairs. This expenditure ensures the Domes can continue to serve the community that values them and shows a commitment to the Dome's future. We also applaud the inclusion of \$13,000,000 in County funds and \$53,000,000 in non-County funds as a forecasted capital project for 2024 via WP71401 Mitchell Domes Renovation. These funds, approved unanimously by the board via 19-805 Amendment 1A009 to the 2020 budget, show a further commitment by the County to the long term preservation residents desire for the Domes.

In addition, we thank the County for its 2020 budget appropriations of \$100,000 to the Office of the Comptroller to evaluate the feasibility and perform due diligence on the Domes Task Force plan (File 19-802), and \$107,998 to

pursue further planning and development related to the long-range plan for the Domes (approved unanimously by the board via 19-805 Amendment 1A008 to the 2020 budget). We understand that the COVID-19 pandemic forced a temporary freeze on spending and hope that these funds will be used for their allocated and approved purposes as soon as possible. Community support for a long term preservation solution for the Domes is overwhelming, and County Executive Crowley has expressed his support for the Domes' preservation as well. It is important to continue momentum toward the long term preservation solution for the Domes the community desires and capitalize on the significant time and resources that have already been expended toward these ends.

Finally, we urge the Board to fund this important facility so that it can continue to operate year round. Now more than ever it is imperative that facilities serving our community, especially those located within communities of color, are accessible to all if the County is to take seriously its commitment to equity. Clarke Square residents and all Milwaukee County residents deserve access to the health and cultural benefits the Domes offer year round.

Preservation of the Domes is a necessary reinvestment in the community. It is more important than ever that we maintain the institutions the community depends on, especially communities of color like that which surrounds Mitchell Park. Maintaining access to the healthy, natural environment the Domes offers is a powerful tool in reaching the County's vision to become the healthiest county in Wisconsin by achieving racial equity.

Thank you for your service to all residents of the County.