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A resolution by Supervisor Haas, authorizing and directing the Department of Administrative Services to transfer \$60,000 from Capital Improvement Project WP55301 to Capital Improvement Project WP49003 for use by the Milwaukee County Task Force on the Mitchell Park Conservatory Domes, to finish Phase III of the Future Path and Feasibility Study, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 17, 2016, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) adopted File No. 16-200, authorizing the creation of the Milwaukee County Task Force on the Mitchell Park Conservatory Domes (the Domes Task Force), which was tasked with the development of a comprehensive, long-term plan for the Mitchell Park Horticultural Conservatory (the Domes); and

WHEREAS, on June 23, 2016, the County Board adopted File No. 16-347, which included an amendment to Fund Transfer E1, creating a Mitchell Park Domes Long-Term Planning sub-account within Capital Improvement Project WP49003 Mitchell Park Domes, and included a transfer of \$472,000 from the Appropriation for Contingencies; and

WHEREAS, the Domes Task Force hired three consultants: ConsultEcon, Inc., HGA, and Quorum Architects, Inc., to conduct a two-phase Future Path and Feasibility Study with the funds from the Mitchell Park Domes Long-Term Planning sub-account; and

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2019, using feedback from local interest groups, the consultants, and the public, the Domes Task Force recommended two options for the Domes:

- 1. Targeted investments in facilities and operations, including restoration of the existing structures
- 2. Targeted investments and investment in the creation of an EcoDome destination attraction

; and

WHEREAS, the Domes Task Force continued to meet concurrently with the Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM) Task Force on the possibility of collocating the new MPM facility at Mitchell Park with the Domes; and

WHEREAS, the MPM Task Force concluded that collocation was not feasible based on a report from their own consultant, which recommended demolition of the Domes; and

47 WHEREAS, the 2018 Adopted Capital Budget included Capital Improvement
48 Project WP55301 Mitchell Park Conservatory Planning, which allocated \$320,000 for
49 Phase III of the Future Path and Feasibility Study; and
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51 WHEREAS, in January of 2019, the Department of Administrative Services
52 (DAS) estimated that the cost for Phase III would be \$120,000; and
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54 WHEREAS, on February 7, 2019, the County Board adopted File No. 19-237,
55 allocating the \$120,000 needed for Phase III; and
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57 WHEREAS, the Domes Task Force contracted with ArtsMarket, a Montana-
58 based consultant firm specializing in public arts and cultural studies, for Phase III of the
59 study; and
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61 WHEREAS, DAS advised the Domes Task Force that \$60,000 would be needed
62 for completion of Phase III; and
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64 WHEREAS, the Domes Task Force, at its May 7, 2019, meeting, voted
65 unanimously to request that the County Board transfer \$60,000 from Capital
66 Improvement Project WP55301 – Mitchell Park Conservatory Planning, to Capital
67 Improvement Project WP49003 – Mitchell Domes Long-Term Planning, for the purpose
68 of completion of Phase III of its Future Path and Feasibility Study; and
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70 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of June 13,
71 2019, recommended adoption of File No. 19-492 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,
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73 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board)
74 supports the work of the Milwaukee County Task Force on the Mitchell Park
75 Conservatory Domes (the Domes Task Force); and
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77 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Department of Administrative Services is
78 directed and authorized to process an administrative transfer in the amount of \$60,000
79 from Capital Improvement Project WP55301 – Mitchell Park Conservatory Planning to
80 Capital Improvement Project WP49003 – Mitchell Park Domes Long-Term Planning;
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83 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes the Domes Task
84 Force to use the appropriated funds for completion of Phase III of the Future Path and
85 Feasibility Study; and
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87 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Domes Task Force is requested to provide its
88 final recommendations to the County Board by the September 2019 cycle for
89 consideration with Milwaukee County's annual budget.
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