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**September Board Cycle**

**Milwaukee County Parks**  
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Date: August 20, 2020  
To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks  
Subject: **Request for Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) Amendment to a Permanent Infrastructure Easement on Parkland (ACTION)**

**Issue**

Parks requests authorization to execute an amendment to a permanent infrastructure easement at 1800 E. Forest Hill Ave. in Oak Creek with MMSD that allows for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an interplant pipeline sludge system improvement project.

**Background**

MMSD is undertaking a project to improve the Interplant Sludge (IPS) system, which allows for the transfer of biosolids between the Jones Island Water Reclamation Facility and the South Shore Water Reclamation Facility. The IPS system is critical for processing biosolids and creating Milorganite. The IPS system has been in service approximately 25 years and parts of the system are in poor condition, inoperable, or at the end of their useful service lives. Work is planned to construct, repair, maintain, and replace anode beds, rectifiers, and other equipment necessary for the protection of the IPS system and its appurtenances.

The Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approved the original permanent infrastructure easement on February 7, 2019, File No. 18-866. During the construction process it was determined that an access drive was needed to carry out the maintenance of the IPS system. Part of the access drive falls outside the permanent easement area and therefore an amendment is needed to properly document the access drive and include it in the permanent easement.

MMSD is offering \$300 for the amendment to the permanent infrastructure easement. This offer is based on the original assessment, which was determined by Parks, working in coordination with the Economic Development Division, to be fair compensation for the original permanent easement. The additional acreage is .016 acres.



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As an easement, the pipeline and surrounding area will be the responsibility of MMSD to maintain. Because the land requiring the easement is zoned as parkland, granting the permanent easement requires authorization from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the County Executive.

### Recommendation

Authorize Parks to prepare, review, approve, execute, record, and/or implement the required documents or perform actions required to grant the amendment to the permanent infrastructure easement to MMSD for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the IPS system at 1800 E Forest Hill Ave in Oak Creek. It is further recommended that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents for granting this amendment to the permanent easement.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

*Guy Smith*

### Attachments

- Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 2 – Resolution
- Attachment 3 – Amendment to the Permanent Easement
- Attachment 4 – Exhibit

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