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4 **A RESOLUTION**

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6 Authorizing an appropriation transfer of \$75,000 from Agency 194-1945 – Appropriation  
7 for Contingencies to Capital Project WP078601 – South Side Dog Exercise Area for  
8 planning and design of a new dog park to replace Runway Dog Park  
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11 WHEREAS, Runway Dog Exercise Area (DEA), also known as Runway Dog  
12 Park, was a 26-acre dog park operated by Milwaukee County located south of  
13 Milwaukee Mitchell International Airport on airport land; and  
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15 WHEREAS, prior to the closure of Runway Dog Park on November 1, 2022, it  
16 was the largest of the seven off-leash dog parks operated by Milwaukee County; and  
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18 WHEREAS, during review of the airport's new master plan, the FAA determined  
19 that all airport land must be used for aviation related activities, and the continued  
20 operation of the Runway Dog Park would jeopardize the federal funding Milwaukee  
21 County receives for the airport; and  
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23 WHEREAS, following the closure of Runway Dog Park, the Parks Department  
24 executed a public engagement campaign via an online mapping tool designed to collect  
25 suggestions for a future location for a new dog park; and  
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27 WHEREAS, in the 2024 Capital Budget process, the Parks Department  
28 requested funding to plan a replacement South Side Dog Exercise Area, with a project  
29 scope that included refining an appropriate location, site analysis, schematic layouts,  
30 cost estimates, and soliciting additional public feedback; and  
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32 WHEREAS, the Southside Dog Exercise Area Study capital project did not  
33 receive a funding allocation during the 2024 budget process due to other pressing  
34 needs in the County; and  
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36 WHEREAS, while it would have been ideal to have a replacement Southside Dog  
37 Exercise Area operational before Runway Dog Park closed more than a year ago, it is  
38 now critical to expedite the process to develop a replacement site; and  
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40 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of January 23,  
41 2024, recommended adoption of File No. 24-246 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,  
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43 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby  
44 authorizes and directs the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of  
45 Administrative Services to process an administrative transfer of \$75,000 from Agency  
46 194-1945 Appropriation for Contingencies to Capital Project WP078601 – South Side  
47 Dog Exercise Area.

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