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## July Board Cycle

**Milwaukee County Parks**  
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Date: July 8, 2019  
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Parks Executive Director  
Subject: **Boerner Botanical Gardens Permeable Paver Project Development Agreement with The Park People of Milwaukee County (PASSIVE REVIEW)**

### Issue

Milwaukee County Parks seeks to enter into a Development Agreement with The Park People of Milwaukee County, Inc. (TPP) to make park improvements to Boerner Botanical Gardens (Boerner) by installing brick permeable pavers along the walking paths in the Entrance Area - Annual Garden, Shrub Mall, and Perennial Garden.

### Background

Milwaukee County and TPP have had a mutually beneficial partnership for over forty years. TPP is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charitable organization whose mission is to support Milwaukee County Parks by promoting the value of educating stakeholders about Milwaukee County parks, encouraging park improvement through Friends Groups, coordinating Weed-Out® programs, and accepting and honoring donor intent of charitable contributions while balancing long term park viability.

In recognition of TPP's mission, Milwaukee County Parks and TPP are partnering to make park improvements to Boerner by continuing to increase accessibility and enhance the beauty of the park through the installation of brick permeable pavers in the Entrance Area - Annual Garden, Shrub Mall, and Perennial Garden. The project will consist of the following work:

- Excavation - Machine and hand excavation of the Garden pathways to include the removal of the traffic bond material and hauling off site. Wells will be created on site to reduce risk of flooding. Excavator, skidsteer, power wheelbarrows, and quad-axle dump trucks will be used as needed.

- Permeable Base - A clear stone base will be installed and compacted. Once base is down it will be securely covered until pavers are ready for installation. Skidsteer, power wheelbarrows, quad-axle dump truck, compactor, and roller will be used as needed.
- Paver Installation – Permeable pavers will be installed and used for the new surface of the walkways. Pavers will match what was used in the Rotary Gardens. A granite chip to be used through the joints. Skidsteer with power-broom and paver laying machine will be used as needed. Material samples will be provided to the County for approval prior to installation.

The full cost of the project will be financed by TPP and is 100% funded and ready for installation. The costs are as follows:

- Entrance Area – Annual Gardens = \$85,803.38
- Shrub Mall = \$63,077.71
- Perennial Garden = \$92,557.27

Once the project is complete and the County accepts the improvements, the improvements will become the property of the County. Ongoing maintenance will be the responsibility of the County. It is anticipated that the ongoing maintenance will be equal to or less than current maintenance costs. It is also anticipated that the pavers will increase annual operating revenues by approximately \$5,000 annually because the grounds will be able to open sooner after the snow melts and will not have to close after heavy rains due to walkways being washed out.

### Recommendation

The Milwaukee County Parks Executive Director respectfully recommends entering into a development agreement with The Park People of Milwaukee County, Inc., to install brick permeable pavers along the walking paths of the Entrance Area - Annual Garden, Shrub Mall, and Perennial garden, and to prepare, execute, and record all documents and take all actions as required to execute the attached Development Agreement.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, CPRP, Parks Executive Director



### Attachments

- Attachment 1 – FISCAL NOTE
- Attachment 2 – DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT



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