



# Milwaukee County

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## Meeting Minutes Parks, Energy and Environment Committee

*Chairperson: Supervisor Sheldon A. Wasserman*  
*Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Steven Shea*  
*Supervisor Steve F. Taylor*  
*Supervisor Felesia A. Martin*  
*Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez*

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Tuesday, May 24, 2022

9:00 AM

Room 203R & Microsoft Teams  
County Legislative Information Center

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### HYBRID MEETING

This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

### Call To Order

Roll Call at 9:04 a.m.

**Present** 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

Supervisors Steven Shea, and Juan Miguel Martinez, appeared virtually at today's meeting.

### REAPPOINTMENT - 1

- 1      [22-527](#)      From the County Executive, reappointing Guy Smith to Executive Director of the Milwaukee County Parks for a four-year term.

**Attachments:**      [22-527 REAPPOINTMENT LETTER](#)  
                                 [22-527 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)  
                                 [22-527 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

County Executive David Crowley, Office of the County Executive (virtually)  
Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

A motion was made by Supervisor Taylor (17) that this Reappointment be **RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

## APPOINTMENT - 1

- 2      [22-678](#)      From the County Executive, appointing Michael Tate, to the Milwaukee Public Museum Board of Directors for a term expiring June 23, 2025.

**Attachments:**      [22-678 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)  
                                 [22-678 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)  
                                 [22-678 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Schinika Fitch, Director of Community Relations, Office of County Executive (virtually)

Mr. Michael Tate, Appointee, appeared virtually and spoke regarding this Appointment.

A motion was made by Supervisor Martin that this Appointment be **RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

## RESOLUTION - 1

- 3      [22-485](#)      A resolution requesting the ONE Milwaukee Taskforce explore possible collaboration and resource sharing between Milwaukee County, the City of Milwaukee, and Milwaukee Public Schools on operations and maintenance relating to parks and recreation

**Sponsors:**      Nicholson

**Attachments:**      [22-485 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                 [22-485 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                                 [22-485 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Briceida Perez, Constituent Services Specialist, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Martin that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

### MILWAUKEE COUNTY ZOO - 1

- 4      [22-535](#)      From the Executive Zoo Director submitting the Milwaukee County Zoo's Roles and Responsibilities. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [22-535 REPORT](#)  
                                 [22-535 POWERPOINT](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Amos Morris, Director, Milwaukee County Zoo (virtually)

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

### DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE - 7

- 5      [22-541](#)      From the Executive Director of Park, providing an information report on the overview of the Parks Department and Initiatives for 2022. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [22-541 REPORT](#)  
                                 [22-541 POWERPOINT](#)  
                                 [22-541 OPERATIONS COVERAGE MAP](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
James Tarantino, Interim Deputy Director, and Director of Recreation and Business Services, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 6      [22-546](#)      From the Executive Director of Parks, requesting authorization to execute a Permanent Gas Easement with WE Energies to install a gas main along the South side of Kohl Park.

Attachments:      [22-546 REPORT](#)  
                                 [22-546 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                 [22-546 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                                 [22-546 AERIAL MAP](#)  
                                 [22-546 GAS DISTRIBUTION EASEMENT & EXHIBITS](#)  
                                 [22-546 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Erica Goblet, Contracts Manager, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

A motion was made by Supervisor Martin that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

- 7        [22-539](#)        From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report on the final planning study addressing the existing conditions of the Kosciuszko Community Center; the feasibility of building restoration, and potential future possibilities. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**        [22-539 REPORT](#)  
   [22-539 COMMUNITY NEEDS PLANNING STUDY \(136 pages\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**  
Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)  
Sarah Toomsen, Manager of Planning and Development, DPRC (virtually)  
Supervisor Dyango Zerpa, District 14 (virtually)

Allyson Nemec, Principal Design Architect, Quorum Architects, Inc., appeared virtually and spoke regarding this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

- 8        [22-540](#)        From the Executive Director of Parks sharing final report on findings from the study of McKinley Beach including but not limited to swim safety, beach sustainability, and water quality. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**        [22-540 REPORT](#)  
   [22-540 MCKINLEY BEACH SAFETY STUDY \(105 pages\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**  
Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)  
Sarah Toomsen, Manager of Planning and Development, DPRC (virtually)  
Supervisor Ryan Clancy, District 4 (virtually)

Heather Stabo, Project Manager and Senior Engineer, Short Elliott Hendrickson, Inc., appeared virtually and spoke regarding this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

- 9            [22-542](#)            From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report on the use of Red Arrow Ice Rink as requested by Resolution 22-396.  
**(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**    [22-542 REPORT](#)  
[22-542 MILWAUKEE DOWNTOWN, BID #21 LETTER](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)  
Peter Bratt, Director of Operations and Maintenance, DPRC  
Supervisor Ryan Clancy, District 4 (virtually)

The following people appeared and spoke regarding this Informational Report:

Gabriel Peter Yeager, Downtown Environment Specialist, Milwaukee  
Downtown Business Improvement District #21 (virtually)  
Nicole Armendariz  
Sarah Ditzenberger  
Gabrielle Felt  
Tyler Ware  
Jake Howell (virtually)  
Chelsey Pfiffner (virtually)  
Mary Kay Trejo  
Karen Schultz Cheney  
Sasha Karnes  
Janell Turowski  
Jackie Garfield  
James Kubek  
Kimberly Shine  
Robert Holder  
Terri Kinis  
Ellen Fine, Founder, Instructor, Roll Train  
Terrence Clarke, Owner, Instructor, Roll Train

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 10           [22-543](#)            From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report on the Seasonal Park Worker and Lifeguard Recruitment.  
**(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**    [22-543 REPORT](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)  
James Tarantino, Interim Deputy Director, and Director of Recreation and Business Services, DPRC  
Supervisor Peter Burgelis, District 15  
Supervisor Ryan Clancy, District 4 (virtually)  
Supervisor Patti Logsdon, District 9 (virtually)

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 11      [22-537](#)      From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report in response to resolution 22-120 on the planning and implementation of a 50/50 raffle and the preliminary fiscal estimates. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [22-537 REPORT](#)  
[22-537 MILWAUKEE PARKS FOUNDATION 50/50 PILOT PROPOSAL](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

Rebecca Stoner, Executive Director, Milwaukee Parks Foundation, appeared and spoke regarding this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**E-COMMENTS - 1**

- 12      [22-27](#)      eComments submitted to the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC). **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

\*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 22-27 at the conclusion of each meeting.

**Attachments:**      [22-27 eComments \(05/24/22\)](#)

There were no appearances for this item.

The May 24, 2022, record of eComments is attached to this file as "22-27 eComments (05/24/22)."

The May 24, 2022, record of eComments was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.

Length of Meeting: 9:04 a.m. to 1:05 p.m.

Adjourned,

**Kelsey A. Evans**  
**Committee Coordinator**  
**Legislative Services Division, Office of the County Clerk**  
**Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment is Tuesday, June 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before WEDNESDAY, May 18, 2022, no later than 5:00 p.m., for the June meeting cycle.