



## June Board Cycle

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Date: May 18, 2018  
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Interim Parks Director  
Subject: **2018 Budget Amendment (1A028) -- Estabrook Dam Trust Fund (ACTION)**

### Policy

Milwaukee County Parks requests authorization to utilize the remaining balance of \$54,000 from the Estabrook Dam Trust Fund, identified in amendment 1A028, to support the implementation of two Parks improvement projects: Estabrook Park stairway repairs and improvements to the Lincoln Park Blatz Building.

### Background

Amendment (1A028), approved in the 2018 Budget, authorizes the redirection of \$154,000 in 2018 from the Estabrook Dam Trust Fund to Park Operations for County Board approved uses and improvements in Lincoln and Meaux Parks.

Per the amendment, an appropriation of \$100,000 is provided for Lincoln and Meaux Parks, to address chronic roadway flooding issues related to the pump house along the parkway that regularly fails due to the discharge pipe design and, aging/failing equipment. In addition, the funds will be used to maintain and improve the existing playground bathroom, as well as reinstall an operable, reinforced drinking fountain at the basketball courts in Meaux and Lincoln Parks. The funds appropriated may not be used for any other projects or purpose outside of the outlined improvements to Lincoln and Meaux Parks. Parks anticipates providing an update on this item in July.

The amendment additionally states that the remaining \$54,000 is to be allocated to the Park Operations budget, upon the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture's ability to identify specific parks operational uses for the trust funds. These identified operational needs are to be submitted to the County Board for approval consistent with the original terms of the established trust.



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Parks staff have researched, identified, and prioritized projects that might be supported by the remaining \$54,000 and recommend two specific projects.

Project 1: Improvements to Estabrook stairs. Currently, at Estabrook Park there are nine (9) separate stairways that lead to the Milwaukee River, four (4) of which are in serious need of repair; these repairs include stone/masonry work as well as the replacement of wooden railings. The total estimated dollar amount for these repairs, along with the restoration of various natural areas amount to \$24,000.

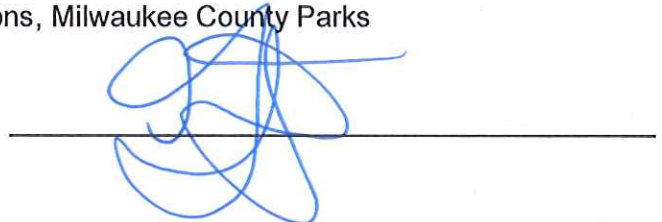
Project 2: Improvements to the Lincoln Blatz rental hall. Currently the Lincoln Blatz Building is a rental facility available to the public 365 days a year. The facility needs various light improvements, such as paint, tables, chairs and various minor renovations that will make the hall more appealing to the users and support increased rental of the facility. This the only rental facility in the system that can host two parties simultaneously (upper & lower). The total estimate for these improvements is \$25,000-\$30,000. Any remaining funds will be utilized for landscaping improvements around the entrance to the building and Schultz Aquatic Center.

### Recommendation

Authorize Parks to utilize \$54,000 from the remaining balance of the Estabrook Dam Trust Fund to support the implementation of two projects: Estabrook Park stairway repairs and improvements to the Lincoln Blatz rental pavilion; additionally, authorize Parks and the Department of Administrative Services staff to execute the necessary fund transfers to support these projects.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, Interim Parks Director



### Attachments:

- Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 2 – Resolution
- Attachment 3 – 2018 Budget Amendment (1A028)

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