



January Board Cycle

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Date: December 30, 2020
To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors
From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: **Capital Project Web App (INFO)**

Issue

Milwaukee County Parks has created an online GIS interface for tracking capital projects.

Background

Capital projects that take place within parklands are tracked in multiple ways by staff in both the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) – Architecture & Engineering Division as well as the Parks Planning and Development Division. While financial reports are primarily sourced through the Comptroller's Office, Parks does track projects for project management purposes, and reports updates to the Parks Energy and Environment Committee from time to time.

In order to maximize staff time and efficiency, the Parks Planning & Development Division has begun using GIS to track project updates, and this has also allowed the creation of a public-facing web application that can be used share information about projects. This tool can be accessed through the Parks website, on the webpage titled What We Do > Project Updates.

<https://county.milwaukee.gov/EN/Parks/What-We-Do/Planning--Development>

or directly from:

<https://mclio.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9ee80c853dcb499bba95851f9d660593>

This tool gives an opportunity for the public to spatially see where capital investments have been made across the system, and may also answer questions about specific projects of interest. It is Parks' hope that this database will be expanded to include other project types, such as Area of Concern projects, third party projects, etc. The web app was developed during fall of 2020 and will be improved and refined over time. Users are encouraged to contact Parks with



feedback or questions. This is just one way that Parks is working to improve communication, transparency, and public engagement. Supervisors should feel welcome to point constituents to this tool.

Recommendation

No action required; report is for informational purposes only.

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Attachments

- A1 – Guided Presentation of Web App

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