

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: April 19, 2024
To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors
From: Guy Smith, Executive Parks Director for Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: Climate Impacts at Grant Park
File Type: Informational Report

REQUEST

From the Executive Director of Milwaukee County Parks providing an Informational report on Climate Impacts at Grant Park

POLICY

None

BACKGROUND

File #22-292 appropriated funding in the amount of \$30,000 to identify climate related grant opportunities to address problems stemming from global climate change. Milwaukee County Parks engaged multiple consultants regarding the proposed scope of work and determined that the funding was insufficient for a countywide study. Milwaukee County Parks reduced the scope to a location that was representative of the facilities and landscapes for the entire system and engaged Mead & Hunt to assist with a report to outline trends, identify risks and propose solutions for the department. Milwaukee County Parks chose Grant Park as a proxy for the system due to its size, location and amenities.

Related File No's:	22-292
Associated File No's (Including Transfer Packets):	
Previous Action Date(s):	2/25/2022

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

This report aligns to the strategic objectives by identifying risks to how Parks delivers services (2A) and will assist with how to preempt any climate impacts (3A) on recreational amenities that would prevent achieving the goal of becoming the healthiest county in Wisconsin.

FISCAL EFFECT

Funding was previously provided by County Board action.

TERMS

None

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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