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From the Executive Director of Milwaukee of County Parks, requesting authorization to commit capital funding by 2025 to improvements to the Washington Park 40th Street Parking Lot Project as part of the Development Agreement with Urban Ecology Center, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in March of 2019, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the County Executive adopted File No. 19-227, that authorized the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) to execute an Option to Purchase Agreement for the existing boat house structure (the Boathouse) in Washington Park (the Park), as well as a Ground Lease Agreement, for a 25-year term, with two, 25-year extension options, with the Urban Ecology Center (UEC); and

WHEREAS, the Option to Purchase Agreement authorizes DPRC to enter into a Development Agreement for the new Boathouse, and a capital improvements plan, to include the parking lot located on North 40th Street, an access road, and lighting to the building; and

WHEREAS, as part of the Memorandum of Understanding in adopted File No. 19-227, the parties acknowledged that Milwaukee County (the County) would continue to seek public funding for the related capital improvements, but no funding was committed by the County at that time; and

WHEREAS, UEC has been successful in its fundraising, and is working on 30 percent design, and hoping to begin construction on the Boathouse in 2023; and

WHEREAS, the Park’s parking lot on North 40th Street is in severe disrepair, and is listed on DPRC’s Five Year Capital Improvement Plan; and

WHEREAS, UEC has committed \$115,000 to design the parking lot, access road, and lighting between the parking lot and the Boathouse; and

WHEREAS, DPRC wishes to support this project, and improve the Park for all County residents by committing to capital funding of \$1,000,000 by 2025 for the Washington Park North 40th Street Parking Lot Project; and

WHEREAS, DPRC and UEC agree that if the project costs exceed \$1,000,000, they will work collaboratively to locate additional funding for the project; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks and Culture, at its meeting of September 13, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-922 (vote 4-0); now, therefore,

47 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
48 authorizes the County Executive, the Department of Administrative Services, the Office
49 of the Comptroller, the County Clerk, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation
50 Counsel, and any other Milwaukee County official deemed necessary, to prepare and
51 execute all documents, instruments, agreements, or otherwise, including without
52 limitation execution of the Development Agreement, and to perform all actions
53 necessary to effectuate the commitment of \$1,000,000 by 2025 to the Washington Park
54 North 40th Street Parking Lot Project.

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