(ITEM) From the Director of Architecture, Engineering, and Environmental Services Section, Facilities Management Division, Department of Administrative Services (DAS-FM), and the Facilities Maintenance Manager, DAS-FM, requesting authorization to grant We Energies a permanent easement to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of gas distribution facilities on the County Grounds at the north side of Wisconsin Avenue east of State Trunk Highway 45, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has been legislatively authorized to reconstruct the Zoo Interchange by the State of Wisconsin and by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) under various state and federal statues and codes; and

WHEREAS, various utilities at the County Grounds will be impacted by the proposed interchange improvements, including We Energies gas distribution system that services County buildings and lessee buildings; and

WHEREAS, We Energies has requested a permanent gas easement to install, operate, and maintain new gas piping, valves, and an existing gas pressure regulating station at the north side of Wisconsin Avenue east of State Trunk Highway 45; and

WHEREAS, the easement boundaries will encompass the existing gas pressure regulating station that currently sits north of the Wisconsin Avenue right-of-way on County lands and the area required to install the new piping; and

WHEREAS, the gas main and pressure regulating station provide gas service to the eastern side of the Medical Complex; and

WHEREAS, the gas piping alignment has been set in conjunction with proposed Zoo Interchange improvements and to minimize impacts to County and lessee property; and

WHEREAS, the final gas service alignment has been set in conjunction with proposed Zoo Interchange improvements and to minimize the impact to County and lessee property; and

WHEREAS, all areas disturbed by the construction, operation, or maintenance of the subject gas service will be restored to Department of Administrative Services-Facilities Management (DAS-FM) specifications at no cost to the County; and

WHEREAS, appropriate County staff will review and approve all documents as

required prior to execution; and

WHEREAS, the Director of DAS-FM has recommended that the authority to prepare, review, approve, execute, and record all documents, as required to execute the requested easement, be granted to DAS-FM, Corporation Counsel, Risk Management, the County Clerk, Register of Deeds, and the County Executive; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors does hereby authorize the Department of Administrative Services-Facilities Management, Risk Management, Corporation Counsel and Register of Deeds to negotiate, prepare, review, approve, execute, and record all documents and perform all actions as required to grant, execute, and implement a permanent gas easement to We Energies for the construction, operation, and maintenance of gas distribution facilities servicing the County Grounds; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the easement and required documents.

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