

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: March 17, 2023

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: From the Executive Director of Milwaukee of County Parks, requesting authorization to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Milwaukee Lake Park Lawn Bowling Association, Inc., for a five-year term with one five-year renewal for the use of bowling greens in Lake Park

File Type: Action Report

REQUEST

Milwaukee County Parks requests authorization to enter into a Lease Agreement with the Milwaukee Lake Park Lawn Bowling Association for land within Lake Park for five years with one five-year renewal.

POLICY

Wis. Stat. § 59.17(2)(b)3. states that the “county board may continue to exercise the authority under s. 59.52(6) with regard to land that is zoned as a park...”. In the law of property, authority over “land” includes authority over all rights appurtenant to the land. Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances 56.10 requires County Board approval for leases longer than 1 year.

Wisconsin State Statutes:	§ 59.17(2)(b)3
Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	56.10 - Procedures for leasing of county owned land or building space
Specific Adopted Budget:	
Specific Adopted Budget Amendment:	
Specific Adopted Capital Project:	

BACKGROUND

The Milwaukee Lake Park Lawn Bowling Association, Inc. (MLPLBA) has been a part of Milwaukee County and Lake Park history for over 100 years. MLPBA is a nonprofit organization run by volunteers that exists for the purpose of promoting and safeguarding the game of lawn bowling. In 2010, the MLPLBA and the Milwaukee County Parks hosted the 2010 International Lawn Bowling Championship between the USA and Canada. MLPLBA has operated under a Lease Agreement with Milwaukee County for the bowling greens and an adjacent storage unit and wishes to renew that Lease. Under the terms of this proposed Lease Agreement, MLPLBA is responsible for maintenance of the bowling greens and premises including all operating expenses.

Under the terms of the new agreement, MLPLBA will pay an annual rent of \$100 and utility reimbursement of \$350 per year in the first term and \$400 per year in the renewal term.

Related File No's:	18-411, 13-361
Associated File No's (Including Transfer Packets):	
Previous Action Date(s):	

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Describe how the item aligns to the objectives in the [strategic plan](#):

3B: Enhance the County's fiscal health and sustainability

The Lease Agreement would enhance the County's fiscal health and sustainability because MLPLBA is responsible for all maintenance of the leased premises.

FISCAL EFFECT

There is no budget impact. Milwaukee County would continue to defer maintenance expenses and collect the same revenue from prior years.

TERMS

- One 5-year term with one option to renew for an additional 5 years
- Annual rent \$100 per year
- Annual utilities \$350 per year in the first term and \$400 in the renewal term

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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ATTACHMENTS:

Resolution

Fiscal Note

Draft Lease

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