(ITEM ) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to transfer approximately 1.7 acres of land that is a remnant of the former Underwood Creek Parkway and to utilize proceeds from the land transfer to finance Project WP16705 Veterans Park Pavilion and Restroom and Project WP192 Federal Emergency Management Agency 2010 Flood related improvements, by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Underwood Creek Parkway has been reconfigured so that it now intersects with Swan Boulevard rather than Watertown Plank Road; and

WHEREAS, the North Mayfair Group, owner of the 1200 North Mayfair Road office building that is currently accessed from Underwood Creek Parkway, has petitioned the County to convert approximately 600 feet of the former roadway to a private driveway via land transfer; and

WHEREAS, a draft purchase agreement with the North Mayfair Group for the 1.7 acres of land to be transferred includes the following components:

• Sale and Purchase of the 1.7 acres for \$400,000.

 North Mayfair Group is to install, by Memorial Day 2014, an approximately 600-foot segment of bike trail along the east side of the existing roadway that will serve as a connection to the Oak Leaf Trail from Watertown Plank Road. The land on which the trail will be built will remain under County ownership.

 Execution of an appropriate reciprocal easement to cover maintenance and access matters for both the North Mayfair Group and the County.

; and

WHEREAS, the site is currently disconnected from the new alignment of the Underwood Creek Parkway and therefore can be considered surplus land; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) has evaluated the appropriateness of this transaction and finds that transferring this surplus property will not negatively impact the park resources of Milwaukee County, will increase revenue, and will add a bike trail connection that enhances the Oak Leaf Trail network without requiring financial investment from the County for construction; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of DPRC that the revenue acquired from this land transfer be used to fund the construction of a new restroom and picnic shelter at Veterans Park as

well as be allocated to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) 2010 Flood related capital improvement projects; and

WHEREAS, the Director, DPRC, has recommended that DPRC be authorized to transfer approximately 1.7 acres of land that is a remnant of the former Underwood Creek Parkway and that appropriate County staff be authorized to prepare, review, approve, execute, record, and/or implement the required documents or perform actions to facilitate the transfer of this property; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of April 15, 2014, **REAFFIRMED** its previous recommendation to adopt the Department's request (vote 7-0), which the Committee originally recommended at its meeting of March 11, 2014 (vote 6-1); and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of April 17, 2014, also **REAFFIRMED** its previous recommendation to adopt the Department's request (vote 5-1), which the Committee originally recommended at its meeting of March 13, 2014 (vote 6-2); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC), is hereby authorized to transfer approximately 1.7 acres of remnant former Underwood Creek Parkway land to the North Mayfair Group and receive monetary compensation in the amount of \$400,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive, DPRC Director, County Clerk, Department of Administrative Services (DAS), Risk Management, Corporation Counsel, and Register of Deeds are authorized and directed to prepare, review, approve, execute, record all documents, and perform all actions required to facilitate the transfer of this property; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon execution of the aforementioned purchase agreement, DAS is authorized and directed to process a 2014 administrative appropriation transfer to reflect the receipt of \$175,000 related to the land transfer and to increase expenditure authority to complete capital improvement project WP16705 Veterans Park Pavilion and Restroom; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon execution of the aforementioned purchase agreement, DAS is authorized and directed to process a 2014 administrative appropriation transfer to reflect the receipt of \$225,000 related to the land transfer and to increase expenditure authority, outside FEMA revenue, and revenue from the State of Wisconsin for Project WP192 FEMA 2010 Flood related capital improvements.

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