(ITEM ) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to prepare, review, approve, execute, and record all documents and to perform all actions required to facilitate the vacation of a Right of Way and the redevelopment of the surrounding land located between the Milwaukee River and the Oak Leaf Trail south of Capitol Drive, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, North Sherburn Place in the Village of Shorewood, Wisconsin, is a short public street that extends south of East Capitol Drive and currently provides access to three lots located between the east bank of the Milwaukee River and the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture's (DPRC) Oak Leaf Trail; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Shorewood has been redeveloping its Capitol Drive corridor for several years; and

WHEREAS, the improvements include a new Oak Leaf Trail bridge over Capitol Drive, improved connectivity between existing neighborhoods, the Village Center, and the Milwaukee River, extensive streetscaping, and new mixed-use developments; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Shorewood has plans to redevelop the area surrounding North Sherburn Place and to integrate it with the other recent improvements; and

WHEREAS, the development plans require eliminating the existing roadway and replacing it with alternate internal circulation to the adjacent properties; and

WHEREAS, the North Sherburn Place roadway was constructed within a dedicated Street Right of Way (ROW) that the Village of Shorewood wishes to vacate to accommodate its plans; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County owns the former railroad corridor that runs along the east side of North Sherburn Place and, as an adjacent property owner, must support the ROW vacation for it to progress; and

WHEREAS, typically vacated ROW lands revert to the adjacent owners and Milwaukee County would acquire a 0.13 acre strip of land with dimensions of 25 feet in width and 235 feet in length; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has reviewed the attributes of the property and evaluated its significance related to established plans and goals; and

 WHEREAS, DPRC has no need for this land and does not wish to acquire it and then convey it to the Village of Shorewood for development; and

WHEREAS, the Village of Shorewood has prepared a Disclaimer of Interest in Real Property document that when executed will release any claim that the County might have to the parcel; and

WHEREAS, that will allow the ROW vacation process to proceed and the development plans to be implemented in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the DPRC Director has recommended that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and County Executive authorize the execution of the Disclaimer of Interest in Real Property and the performance of all other actions required to facilitate the vacation of the North Sherburn Place ROW and the redevelopment of the surrounding land located between the Milwaukee River and the Oak Leaf Trail south of Capitol Drive; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, Department of Administrative Services, Risk Management, Corporation Counsel, and the Register of Deeds are authorized to prepare, review, approve, execute, and record all documents and to perform all actions required to facilitate the vacation of this Right of Way and the redevelopment of the surrounding land located between the Milwaukee River and the Oak Leaf Trail south of Capitol Drive; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the County Executive and County Clerk are authorized to execute the Disclaimer of Interest in Real Property and any other required documents.

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