

(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to enter into Agricultural Lease Agreements with Mr. James Crayton, Growing Power, Inc., Mr. James Holterman, Mr. Joseph Holterman, Ms. Lori Jablonski, Mr. Robert Petzold, Mr. Jerome Schaefer, Mr. Vincent Schmit, and Mr. Fred Wobick, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) manages 881 acres of agricultural land for the purpose of growing and harvesting agricultural row-crops, vegetable crops, and hay; and

WHEREAS, the agricultural lands held by DPRC are located within designated primary environmental corridors as defined by the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, keeping these agricultural lands in production deters invasive plant species from overtaking the land; and

WHEREAS, each lessee is responsible for working with DPRC on the development of a Conservation Plan specific to their parcels to reduce soil loss, achieve water quality goals, and protect the natural resource base; and

WHEREAS, the term of each lease is selected based on factors such as the conservation method, the crop rotation cycle, and the likelihood that the parcel may cease to be available for farming; and

WHEREAS, rent payments vary due to the size of the parcel and were developed based on United States Department of Agriculture and Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection fair market value rates for southeastern Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, the following Agricultural Lease Agreements are under consideration:

<u>Lessee</u>	<u>Annual Rent</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Lease Term</u>
James Crayton	\$10,341.50	139.5	1 year
Growing Power, Inc.	\$1,720	17.2	1 year
James Holterman	\$983	13.2	5 years
Joseph Holterman	\$2,179.50	37.8	3 years
Lori Jablonski	\$188.50	2.9	3 years
Robert Petzold	\$4,157	52.8	1 year
Jerome Schaefer	\$2,047	25.2	5 years
Vincent Schmit	\$1,530	17	1 year

47 Fred Wobick \$613 8.6 1 year

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51 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
52 authorizes and directs the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to execute
53 Agricultural Lease Agreements with Mr. James Crayton, Growing Power, Inc., Mr.
54 James Holterman, Mr. Joseph Holterman, Ms. Lori Jablonski, Mr. Robert Petzold, Mr.
55 Jerome Schaefer, Mr. Vincent Schmit, and Mr. Fred Wobick.

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