

1 Supervisor Peggy A. West, Chairperson,  
2 From the Committee on Finance and Audit, reporting on:

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4 File No. 16-463

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6 (ITEM ) From the Director, Milwaukee County Zoo (the Zoo), requesting  
7 authorization to execute the Adventure Africa Phase 1 Project Agreement between the  
8 Zoo and the Zoological Society of Milwaukee for the construction of a new elephant  
9 exhibit at the Zoo, by recommending adoption of the following:

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11 **A RESOLUTION**

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13 WHEREAS, the February 11, 2014, adopted Memorandum of Understanding  
14 between Milwaukee County (the County) and the Zoological Society of Milwaukee  
15 County (Zoological Society) requires that a specific agreement will be executed for each  
16 new capital project at the Milwaukee County Zoo (the Zoo); and

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18 WHEREAS, the County and Zoological Society wish to jointly develop a new  
19 elephant exhibit for the Zoo as part of the Adventure Africa Complex outlined in the  
20 2013 Master Plan at a total cost of \$16,600,000; and

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22 WHEREAS, the 2015 Adopted Zoo Capital Budget included \$800,000 with  
23 \$400,000 contributed by the Zoological Society for the design of a new elephant exhibit;  
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26 WHEREAS, the 2016 Adopted Capital Budget included \$1,774,000 with  
27 \$887,000 contributed by the Zoological Society to begin construction of a new elephant  
28 exhibit; and

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30 WHEREAS, the agreement describes the source of funds, contract documents,  
31 consultant selection process, and project management; and

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33 WHEREAS, the new elephant exhibit will address the Association of Zoos and  
34 Aquariums accreditation standards for maintaining elephants that must be substantially  
35 complete by June 1, 2017; and

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37 WHEREAS, the agreement has been reviewed and approved by Corporation  
38 Counsel, Risk Management, Community Business Development Partners, and the  
39 Zoological Society's attorneys; and

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41 WHEREAS, the Zoo Director and the President/Chief Executive Officer of the  
42 Zoological Society have concurred regarding the agreement; and

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44 WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of  
45 September 13, 2016, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 4-0); and  
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47           WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of  
48           September 15, 2016, recommended adoption of the Director’s request (vote 7-0); now,  
49           therefore,

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51           BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Milwaukee County Zoo, is hereby authorized  
52           and directed to enter into the said “Elephant Exhibit Construction Project” agreement  
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