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Subject:	Lease Agreement between Milwaukee County Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture and The Table-Alice's Urban Farm (ACTION)
From:	John Dargle, Jr., CPRP, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC)
То:	Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman County Board of Supervisors
Date:	February 17, 2017

## POLICY

The Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (DPRC) is seeking authorization to enter into a Lease Agreement with The Table-Alice's Urban Farm (the Table) for certain parkland within Johnsons Park in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

## BACKGROUND

The Table has been a long-term partner of Milwaukee County Parks. The Table is a private non-profit corporation organized under Wisconsin statutes chapter 181 with a tax exempt status under the Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3), whose mission is to provide neighborhood improvements, sense of community, physical exercise and a connection to the environment through running a Community Gardening Program.

Under the terms of the Agreement, The Table is granted the use of approximately 2.2 acres of County owned property within Johnsons Park located between Garfield, 20<sup>th</sup> Street, 21<sup>st</sup> Street, and Fond du Lac Avenue in Milwaukee. Wisconsin. The term of lease shall be ten (10) years. The Table shall be responsible for operation, maintenance, repair, and replacement of the community garden, including but not limited to the costs associated with utilities, invasive species management, and improvement of garden infrastructure.

Additionally, the Table will be responsible for the provisions and terms of a Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) grant to install green infrastructure at The Table Urban Farm including 2,000 square feet of bioswale and one 9,000-gallon cistern, providing a retention capacity of 24,000 gallons of stormwater. Some provisions of the MMSD grant agreement include the following:

• MMSD will reimburse \$33,375 in project costs for the project described above.

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- The County will execute a 10-year maintenance covenant limited to the maintenance of the project.
- The Table will assume all rights, responsibilities, and maintenance responsibilities under the agreement for a period of 10-years.
- The Table will provide compliance documentation in the form of construction and maintenance reports to MMSD and the County throughout the term of the maintenance covenant.

## RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the DPRC to execute a lease agreement with The Table – Alice's Urban Farm for certain parkland in Johnsons Park.

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Approved by:

John Dargle, Jr., CPRP, Director DPRC

Attachments:

Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note Attachment 2 – Resolution Attachment 3 – Draft Agreement Attachment 4 – Green Infrastructure Funding Agreement W960011P11 Attachment 5 – Map of the Area

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