From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting authorization to execute Agricultural Lease Agreements with: Joseph Holterman in the amount of \$2,835 per year for a three-year term, effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020; Kevin Holterman in the amount of \$630 per year for a two-year term, effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2019; Will Allen in the amount \$1,720 per year for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018; Robert Petzold in the amount of \$2,739.50 for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018; and Vincent Schmit in the amount of \$1,530 for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018, 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 the 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 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 the State of 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:

Lessee	Annual Rent	Acreage	Lease Term
Joseph Holterman	\$2,835.00	37.8	3 Years
Kevin Holterman	\$630.00	8.4	2 Years
Will Allen	\$1,720.00	17.2	1 Year
Robert Petzold	\$2,739.50	33.9	1 Year
Vincent Schmit	\$1,530.00	17.0	1 Year

; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of October 24, 2017, considered File No. 17-700 for informational purposes only; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of October 30, 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-700 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture to enter into Agricultural Lease Agreements with Joseph Holterman in the amount of \$2,835 per year for a three-year term, effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020; Kevin Holterman in the amount of \$630 per year for a two-year term, effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2019; Will Allen in the amount \$1,720 per year for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018; Robert Petzold in the amount of \$2,739.50 for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018; and Vincent Schmit in the amount of \$1,530 for a one-year term effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2018.

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