



**March Board Cycle**

**Milwaukee County Parks**

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Date: February 16, 2018  
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Jim Sullivan, Interim Parks Director  
Subject: **Authorization to Apply for Transportation Alternatives Program Grants (ACTION)**

**Policy**

Parks requests authorization to apply for three Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grants.

**Background**

TAP is a State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) program for the administration of federal transportation funds. The focus of TAP is on bicycle and pedestrian facilities that will serve at least some utilitarian trips—such as commuting to work or school—that might otherwise be made by automobile. Examples of eligible TAP infrastructure projects include sidewalks, pedestrian amenities and wayfinding, shared use paths and trails for transportation purposes, bike lanes, bike parking, bike racks on buses, bike share systems (capital costs, not operating costs), and infrastructure to improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists.

TAP projects are funded on an 80% federal/20% local cost-share basis. WisDOT operates TAP as a reimbursement program that requires local entities to finance the project. WisDOT reimburses project sponsors for the federal share of 80% of the approved project cost up to the limit of the award. The grant deadline was January 26, 2018. Parks submitted TAP grant applications for the following three projects on January 25, 2018:

	Total Cost	Federal	Local
Historic Lake Park Ravine Bridge Replacement	\$2,500,000	\$2,000,000	\$500,000
Little Menomonee River Parkway Oak Leaf Trail Relocation	\$150,000	\$120,000	\$30,000



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Greenfield Park Oak Leaf Trail Reconstruction

\$120,200

\$96,160


\$24,040

**Recommendation**

Authorize Parks to submit TAP grant applications for the three projects listed above.

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Approved By: Jim Sullivan, Interim Parks Director



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**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 2 – Resolution

**Copy:**

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- Jason Haas, Chairman, Parks, Energy & Environment Committee
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