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## October Board Cycle

**Milwaukee County Parks**  
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Date: September 17, 2018  
To: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors  
From: Guy Smith, CPRP, Parks Director  
Subject: **MMSD 10-Year Conservation Easement for Green Infrastructure Funding at South Shore Park (ACTION)**

### Policy

Parks requests authorization to grant a 10-year conservation easement to the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) for the grant-funded green infrastructure portion of the South Shore Parking Lot Project.

### Background

In 2015, the Parks Department leveraged the capital funding in project WP298, South Shore Parking Lot, to apply for green infrastructure (GI) funding from the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District. As a highly visible project that was centered on the concept of improved water quality, the project was selected and funded by MMSD with a grant of \$100,000.

Green infrastructure features including bioswales and native landscaping were included in the parking lot project, and are used to pretreat water before it reaches Lake Michigan. In total, 48,668 gallons of water are capable of being retained in the GI features.

Grant funding provided by MMSD requires that the project area be protected and maintained in a conservation easement to assure the functionality of the green infrastructure for a minimum of 10-years. As the landowner, Milwaukee County Parks is the agency that will grant the easement. Recording of the easement is the final step necessary before reimbursement funds are issued by MMSD.



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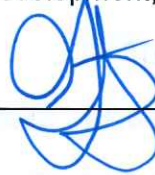
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**Recommendation**

Authorize Parks to prepare, review, approve, execute, record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions required to grant a 10-year conservation easement to MMSD for the construction, operation and maintenance of green infrastructure in South Shore Park. It is further recommended that that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents.

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**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1 – Fiscal Note
- Attachment 2 – Resolution
- Attachment 3 – Easement

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