COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

January 29, 2019

TO:

Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairperson, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM:

Greg High, Director, AE&ES Section, DAS-FM

SUBJECT:

2020 DATCP Staffing Grant for Land Conservation Department

Action Item

POLICY

The Department of Administrative Services Director is requesting authorization to have the County Conservationist apply for and accept Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) support grants in 2020.

BACKGROUND

The Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection offers Wisconsin counties grants to help defray staffing costs of land conservation departments.

The Committee on Parks, Energy and Environment also serves as the Land Conservation Committee and the Environmental Services Unit within the Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services Section of Facilities Management Division serves as the Land Conservation Department. The Director of the Environmental Services Unit serves as County Conservationist.

Milwaukee County receives this grant annually to help pay salaries, training, travel, and office expenses of the Land Conservation Department (LCD).

RECOMMENDATION

To foster the ongoing work of the LCD it is recommended that the DAS Director be authorized to have the County Conservationist apply for and accept the staffing and cost share grants offered by DATCP in 2020.

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