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From the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, requesting retroactive authorization to execute Agricultural Lease Agreements with: Ronald and Lois Fratrack, in the amount of \$100 per year for 8.8 acres of land; Jeff Gassenhuber in the amount of \$2,792 for 38 acres of land; Robert Grove in the amount of \$3,576 for 47.6 acres of land; M A Mainus Farm, LLC, doing business as Joseph Mainus, in the amount of \$9,690 for 116.4 acres of land; John Napientek in the amount of \$13,990 for 171.1 acres of land; and James Roszina in the amount of \$4,083 for 50.3 acres of land for the period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2021; and with Robert Petzold in the amount of \$2,740 for 33.9 acres of land; and Vincent Schmit in the amount of \$1,530 for 17 acres of land for the period effective January 1, 2019, through December 31, 2019, with two one-year renewal options, 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 factors such as 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 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:

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<b>Lessee</b>	<b>Annual Rent</b>	<b>Acreage</b>	<b>Lease Term</b>
Ronald and Lois Fratrack	\$100	8.8	3 Years
Jeff Gassenhuber	\$2,792	38.0	3 Years
Robert Grove	\$3,576	47.6	3 Years
Joseph Mainus	\$9,690	116.4	3 Years
John Napientek	\$13,990	171.1	3 Years
James Roszina	\$4,083	50.3	3 Years
Robert Petzold	\$2,740	33.9	1 Year
			(with two 1-year renewals)
Vincent Schmit	\$1,530	17.0	1 Year
			(with two 1-year renewals)

; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Parks, Energy, and Environment, at its meeting of April 22, 2019, recommended adoption of File No. 19-341 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby authorizes and directs the Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, to retroactively execute Agricultural Lease Agreements with Ronald and Lois Fratrack, Jeff Gassenhuber, Robert Grove, Joseph Mainus, John Napientek, James Roszina, Robert Petzold, and Vincent Schmit, for the amounts and terms noted above, and to prepare, execute, record all documents, and take all actions necessary as required to execute and implement the 2019 Agricultural Lease Program.

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