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A resolution by Supervisor Lipscomb, Sr., providing an appropriation transfer in the amount of \$100,000 from Org. Unit 1940-1945 Appropriation for Contingencies to Org. Unit 9000 Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture earmarked for the sPark matching fund, by recommending adoption of the following:

**A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, sPark, formerly known as the Parks Amenities Matching Fund, was established in 1994 to help generate additional resources to fund needed maintenance and repairs in Milwaukee County (the County) parks and park facilities; and

WHEREAS, sPark (the Fund) allows third party individuals or groups the opportunity to request matching County funds for proposed projects that aim to improve County parks and park facilities; and

WHEREAS, the Fund was initially unfunded, but was restored by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) in the 2013 Adopted Budget; and

WHEREAS, recommended projects must be approved by the County Board, consistent with the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture’s (DPRC) Master Plan, assessed based on their ability to maintain or enhance core services, prioritized based on the project return in investment, budgetary savings, and potential for increased revenues for the County, and considered for any dollar amount provided there are available resources in the Fund; and

WHEREAS, these project guidelines were approved by the County Board in 2016 through File No. 16-444; and

WHEREAS, the 2017, 2019, and 2020 Recommended Budgets did not include any appropriations to the Fund; and

WHEREAS, the 2017 and 2019 Adopted Budgets included amendments made by the County Board to provide appropriations to the Fund in the amounts of \$305,000 and \$216,680, respectively; and

WHEREAS, since 2016, the Fund has provided matching funds to approximately 34 proposed projects; and

WHEREAS, the Fund provides an opportunity for funding to reach underserved areas and communities in the County, and brings attention to projects or improvements that might not be considered as high of a priority as other major maintenance issues; and

46 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit (Finance and Audit) at its  
47 meeting of October 31, 2019, considered an appropriation transfer of \$100,000 from  
48 Org. Unit 1940-1945 – Appropriation for Contingencies to a new Capital Improvement  
49 Project WO28901 – Criminal Justice Facility Intercoms and Door Controls Replacement  
50 (the Project); and

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52 WHEREAS, the 2020 Recommended Budget included funds in the amount of  
53 \$2,200,000 for the Project, and the transfer of an additional \$100,000 was intended to  
54 expedite the planning and design for the Project; and

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56 WHEREAS, Finance and Audit amended the proposed appropriation transfer to  
57 increase the funding from the Appropriation for Contingencies by \$100,000 to \$200,000,  
58 to ensure adequate funds for the Project were available; and

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60 WHEREAS, it is now understood that the additional appropriation of \$100,000  
61 was not needed for the expeditious planning and design of the Project, and could be  
62 transferred back to Org. Unit 1940-1945 Appropriation for Contingencies, which may be  
63 used for other projects or purposes; and

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65 WHEREAS, the County Board has been a long-time proponent of the Fund, and  
66 supports its continuation; and

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68 WHEREAS, Finance and Audit, at its meeting of January 30, 2020,  
69 recommended adoption of File No. 20-128 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

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71 BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget, Department  
72 of Administrative Services, working in conjunction with the Office of the Comptroller, is  
73 authorized and requested to process an appropriation transfer in the amount of  
74 \$100,000 from Org. Unit 1940-1945 Appropriation for Contingencies, to Org. Unit 9000  
75 Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture, earmarked for the sPark Matching Fund.

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