



May Board Cycle

Milwaukee County Parks

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Date: April 16, 2020
To: Chairperson, County Board of Supervisors
From: Jen Francis, Interim Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: **Easement Request from MCImetro Access Transmission Services for an Underground Telecommunication system within the Milwaukee River Parkway (ACTION)**

Issue

Authorization to execute a twenty-five-year easement with one (1) ten-year renewal easement with MCImetro Access Transmission Services (MCImetro) to allow for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an underground telecommunication system across parkland.

Background

Declaratory rulings by the Federal Communications Commission and subsequent state law prohibit local governments from adopting regulations or taking actions that prohibit or have the effect of prohibiting wireless or wireline telecommunication services.

The easement requested serves Small Wireless Facilities (SWF) on Milwaukee River Parkway. All installation work will be underground and installed by MCImetro and their contractors. Permission for installation work is granted through the Parks Right-of-Entry permit process. Granting the permanent easement is necessary for the long-term operation of the utility and requires authorization from the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors and the County Executive.

The easement is for twenty-five years with one (1) ten-year renewal. The fee for the easement is five dollars per lineal foot with first year revenue totaling \$6,670 and includes an annual 3% increase. The annual fee will be equally distributed between the trail maintenance trust and the playground trust.

Recommendation

Parks' Interim Executive Director recommends authorization to prepare, review, approve, execute, record and/or implement the required documents or perform actions required to grant a twenty-five-year easement with one ten-year renewal for underground telecommunications to MCImetro for the construction, operation and maintenance of the



electric service in Milwaukee River Parkway. It is further recommended that that the County Executive and County Clerk be authorized to execute any required documents.

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Approved By: Jen Francis, Interim Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks



Attachments

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

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