



June Board Cycle

Milwaukee County Parks

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Date: May 20, 2020
To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors
From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: **Impact of COVID-19 on Milwaukee County Parks in 2020 (INFO)**

Issue

Milwaukee County Parks generates more than half of its annual budget through direct revenue and relies heavily on the use of seasonal labor throughout the year to staff and maintain facilities. The onset of COVID-19 has negative impacts to facility staffing, service levels and revenue activities for the department.

Background

Parks has experienced significant operational and/or financial disruptions in the following areas and the expectation is that the impact of those disruptions will continue throughout 2020 and beyond:

- Special Events
- Pavilion & Picnic reservations
- Community Centers
- Aquatic Facilities
- Sports Complex/Wilson Recreation Center
- Horticultural Facilities
- Golf Operations
- McKinley Marina
- Seasonal Workforce
- Park Operations

Parks will continue to provide updates on COVID-related impacts. Severe disruptions in 2020 will have lasting impacts on the Park system as the 2021 County budget is formulated in the coming months.



Recommendation

No recommendation, report for informational purposes only.

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