From the Executive Director of Parks requesting authorization to accept one Recreational Trails and two WisDOT Transportation Alternative grants, by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) continuously works to identify and apply for grant funding to contribute to systemwide needs; and

WHEREAS, the Oak Leaf Trail (OLT) is one of the most popular assets of the DPRC System, and it extends across Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, DPRC has identified project needs for trail repair along the Zip Line segment of the OLT, and trail planning in Lincoln Creek and Northside Trail, for improved connectivity to underserved neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, the Federal Recreational Trails Program funds recreational needs that align with those of the DPRC System; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) is a Wisconsin legislative program that aligns with the Federal Transportation Alternative-Set Aside Program, authorized by the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act in 2015; and

WHEREAS, the FAST Act eliminates the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act Transportation Alternatives Program, and replaces it with a set-aside of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program funding for transportation alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the focus of TAP is on bicycle and pedestrian facilities that will serve at least some utilitarian trips, such as commuting to work or school, that might otherwise be made by automobile; and

WHEREAS, examples of eligible TAP infrastructure projects include sidewalks, pedestrian amenities and wayfinding, shared use paths and trails for transportation purposes, bike lanes, bike parking, bike racks on buses, bike share systems (capital costs, not operating costs), and infrastructure to improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists; and

WHEREAS, TAP projects are funded on an 80 percent Federal/20 percent local cost-share basis; and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) operates 46 47 TAP as a reimbursement program that requires local entities to finance the project, with reimbursement by WisDOT for the Federal share of 80 percent of the approved project 48 49 cost up to the limit of the award; and 50 WHEREAS, in Spring of 2020, DPRC submitted TAP grant applications for the 51 following projects, as authorized through County Board Adopted File No. 20-89: 52 53 54 OTL Union Pacific Segment Stone Culvert Replacement (Zipline Sinkhole) Lincoln Creek and Northside Trail Connectivity Study 55 56 ; and 57 58 WHEREAS, in Spring of 2020, DPRC submitted a Federal Recreational Trails 59 Program grant application for the following projects, as authorized through Adopted File 60 No. 20-319: 61 62 Oak Leaf Trail Union Pacific Segment Stone Culvert Replacement (Zipline 63 Sinkhole) 64 65 ; and 66 67 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 10, 2020, 68 recommended adoption of File No. 20-874 (vote 6-0); now, therefore, 69 70 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County 71 Board) hereby authorizes the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) 72 to accept both Transportation Alternatives Program, and Recreational Trails 73 Program funding for the referenced projects; and 74 75 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board hereby authorizes DPRC, 76 77 the Office of Comptroller, and the Department of Administrative Services to execute administrative fund transfers to recognize the receipt of revenue and apply it to the 78 79 identified projects.

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