# File No. 21-

# (Journal, )

(ITEM NO. ) From the Executive Director of Milwaukee of County Parks, requesting authorization to adopt the drafted coastal management policy for implementation by the Parks Department for all pertinent land use actions, both County-initiated as well as third party projects, by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County Parks has received two grants through the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program and has developed both a coastal asset inventory as well as a coastal bluff management policy; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County’s Department of Administrative Services – Environmental Services Section has led a project to prepare a coastal asset inventory for the shoreline of Milwaukee County; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County has approximately nine miles of coast on Lake Michigan, which includes beaches, bluffs, and other assets that are continually degraded from storms and erosion; and

WHEREAS, the total Milwaukee County coastal asset valuation is estimated at $2,927,425,276 with approximately 50% of the cost attributed to bluff stabilization needs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with file 19-342, the Milwaukee County Parks Division of Planning and Development has been working with the Environmental Services section the County Department of Administrative Services of the Architecture & Engineering Division as well as the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission, SEWRPC, to develop a coastal bluff management policy that will help guide land use and management decisions in consideration of the high risk of slope failure and erosion on coastal bluffs; and

WHEREAS, the document that has been drafted defines key terms related to coastal bluff management, delineates the areas of parkland that would have the guidelines applied, sets standards for project submittals within the coastal bluff zone, and sets forth recommendations for management actions and project reviews; and

WHEREAS, work has taken place to identify different types of projects that could be proposed in the applicable areas including landscape management, shore protection modifications, and structures; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the DPRC is hereby authorized to adopt the drafted coastal management policy for implementation by the Parks Department; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said policy shall be applied for all pertinent proposed land use actions, both County-initiated as well as third party projects.