

April Board Cycle

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Date: March 19, 2021

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks

Subject: Authorization to grant COVID-19 relief to Parks partners in the amount of \$155,149.51 and/or contract

extensions and requesting authorization to provide one-year extensions and/or financial relief up to \$5,000

to other Parks Partners as needed - ACTION

Issue

Requesting permission to provide COVID-19 relief to certain Parks partners in the form of extensions and/or rent and utility relief as listed below and to other partners if requested for up to a one-year extension and/or up to \$5,000 of relief.

Background

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic Parks experienced significant operational disruptions across the entire park system. Impacts included special events, pavilion and picnic rentals, community centers, aquatic facilities, horticultural facilities, marinas, and more. These impacts to the park system also had a major impact on our Parks partners. Many partners saw significant impacts to their operations due to buildings being closed, government regulations restricting or prohibiting gatherings, capacity limits, public safety and health concerns, and other impacts of the pandemic. To our partners credit, all partners worked hard to follow government regulations and safety guidelines and worked with the County to provide COVID-19 safety plans that met or exceeded CDC health guidelines for operations.

Due to the impacts of the pandemic, several Parks partners have requested different forms of relief. Parks received the requests for relief and negotiated the following COVID-19 relief agreements:

Gift of Wings

• Rent is reduced by thirty-seven percent (37%) or \$7,916.93 based on days the vendor was closed or sales were greatly impeded due to COVID-19. Utilities are reduced by \$62.50.





Milwaukee Kickers

• A reduction in rent payments of \$44,823 based on restrictions on team/contact sports and capacity limits. This is a reduction of forty-eight percent (48%) from the annual payment of rent in the amount of \$93,380.

South Shore Yacht Club

• A credit of 2020 payments in the amount of \$78,815.56 to payments due in 2021. This is due to the impact of the pandemic on its operations as well as the damage to the north breakwater.

Summit

A reduction of \$18,209.28 in rent and utilities for 2020 from the total amount billed of \$41,209.28. This is based
on Summit not being able to access the buildings from mid-March to mid-June, reduced access the rest of the
summer, and reduced capacity during the fall.

Volley Life

• A credit for the 2020 payment of \$5,322.24 to 2021 and extension of the contract for one year. This is based on all operations being prohibited for 2020.

Additionally, to allow for operational efficiencies Parks requests permission to provide COVID-19 relief to other Parks partners, if requested, by extending contracts by one year or providing financial relief up to \$5,000. Parks understands it is in its best interest to limit COVID relief, but also wishes to balance that with reasonable requests from its partners due to the impacts of COVID-19. All requests must be addressed by December 31, 2021, or Parks will need to return to the County Board for authorization. Parks will provide an informational update to the County Board in January of 2022 of any additional relief granted under this authorization.

Recommendation

Parks' Executive Director recommends approval of the COVID-19 pandemic relief requests from our Parks partners as outlined above.

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Approved By: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks ____ Guy Smith

Attachments

Resolution





Fiscal Note

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