



Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes

Committee on Parks and Culture

Chairperson: Supervisor Sheldon A. Wasserman

Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Steven Shea

Supervisor Steve F. Taylor

Supervisor Felesia A. Martin

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Tuesday, March 14, 2023

9:45 AM

Room 203-R & Microsoft Teams
County Legislative Information Center

HYBRID MEETING

This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Call To Order

Roll Call at 9:58 a.m.

Present 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

Supervisor Steve F. Taylor appeared virtually for today's meeting.

MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM - 1

- 1 [23-46](#) From the President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum, providing an informational report regarding financial statements. **(Considered by the Committees on Parks and Culture; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-46 MARCH REPORT \(received 02/02/23\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Dr. Ellen Censky, President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum (virtually)

The March 2023 Report for this Reference File was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

RESOLUTION - 1

- 2 [23-389](#) A resolution authorizing an appropriation transfer of \$52,229 from Agency 194-1945 - Appropriation for Contingencies to newly created capital project WD0201 Wil-o-Way Facility Improvements. **(Referred to the Committees on Parks and Culture; and Finance)**

Sponsors: Johnson Jr., Vincent and Shea

Attachments: [23-389 RESOLUTION](#)

[23-389 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCE:

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

Supervisor Shea requested unanimous consent to be added as a cosponsor of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Shea that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

**FACILITIES MANAGEMENT DIVISION
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - 1**

- 3 [23-331](#) 2024 DATCP Staffing Grant of the Milwaukee County Land Conservation Department: From the Director, Architecture, Engineering & Environmental Services Section, Department of Administrative Services, requesting authorization to apply for and accept 2024 Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection support grants, in the approximate amount of \$75,000, to partially offset the salaries, training, travel, and office expenses of the Land Conservation Department. **(Referred to the Committees on Parks and Culture; and Finance)**

Attachments: [23-331 REPORT](#)

[23-331 RESOLUTION](#)

[23-331 FISCAL NOTE](#)

APPEARANCE:

Tim Detzer, Professional Engineer, Architecture, Engineering, and Environmental Services Section, Facilities Management Division, Department of Administrative Services (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Martin that this Action Report be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Shea, Taylor (17), Martin, Martinez and Wasserman

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE - 4

- 4 [23-308](#) From the Executive Director of Parks providing an Informational Report on AECOM's Sediment Sampling Results report for the Mill Pond in Oak Creek Parkway. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-308 REPORT](#)
 [23-308 AERIAL SEDIMENT SAMPLING MAP](#)
 [23-308 AECOM SEDIMENT SAMPLING RESULTS \(409 pages\)](#)
 [23-308 POWERPOINT \(received 03/14/23\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Sarah Toomsen, Manager of Planning and Development, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)
Chris Kubacki, Civil Engineer, DPRC

Frank Gratke appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report.

Jim Schelenske, Mayor, City of South Milwaukee, appeared virtually, and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report.

Ms. Toomsen provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "23-308 POWERPOINT (03/14/23)."

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

- 5 [23-307](#) From the Executive Director of Parks providing an Informational Report on the update to the potential funding for a fence at Boerner Botanical Gardens. This report is a response to 2023 Budget Amendment #68. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-307 REPORT](#)

APPEARANCES:

Jeff Orłowski, Director of Recreation and Business Services, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (virtually)
Supervisor Patti Logsdon, District 9 (virtually)

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

- 6 [23-311](#) From the Executive Director of Parks providing an update on the proposed partnership with The Ability Center to improve Wisconsin Avenue Park. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-311 REPORT](#)
 [23-311 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCES:

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture
Supervisor Patti Logsdon, District 9 (virtually)

Fred Hoppe, Hoppe Tree Service, appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report.

Damian Buchman, Executive Director, The Ability Center, appeared virtually, and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 7 [23-306](#) From the Executive Director of Parks providing an Informational Report regarding the internal tools developed by the Parks Department to improve equity-based decision-making practices. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [23-306 REPORT](#)
 [23-306 POWERPOINT](#)
 [23-306 2023 EQUITY INDEX SCORE MAP](#)
 [23-306 2023 EQUITY INDEX SCORE TABLE](#)

APPEARANCES:

Sarah Toomsen, Manager of Planning and Development, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC)
Guy Smith, Director, DPRC

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

E-COMMENTS - 1

- 8 [23-45](#) eComments submitted to the Committee on Parks and Culture via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).

*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 23-45 at the conclusion of each meeting.

There were no appearances for this item.

There were no eComments submitted for the March 14, 2023, meeting.

The March 14, 2023, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.

Length of Meeting: 9:58 a.m. to 11:28 a.m.

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Committee on Parks and Culture**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Parks and Culture is Tuesday, April 11, 2023, at 9:00 a.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before Friday, March 17, 2023, by 5:00 p.m., for the April meeting cycle.