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To the Honorable Members of the
Zoning, Neighborhoods and Development Committee
City of Milwaukee
City Hall, Room 205

Dear Committee Members:

File No. 151553 relates to the change in zoning of 18 parks located in the City of Milwaukee from several zoning districts to Parks, in the 3rd, 4th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 13th and 14th Aldermanic Districts.

This zoning change was initiated by Milwaukee County and will allow the zoning for the sites to be consistent with the use on the sites. Late last year, State law was changed to permit Milwaukee County land that is not explicitly zoned Parks (PK) to be sold without Board approval. While parks are permitted as of right in the majority of the zoning districts, Milwaukee County has gone through its inventory of parks and requested that parks not currently zoned explicitly as such (though permitted) be rezoned to PK.

On March 14, 2016, a public hearing was held. At that time, several residents attended the meeting to learn more about the proposed zoning change and express their support for the rezoning, as it will preserve Milwaukee County parks. A representative from the Mitchell Boulevard neighborhood spoke in support of the rezoning of the Mitchell Boulevard Park. A representative from Ald. Puente's office noted support for the zoning change. Additionally, DCD staff received approximately 15 phone calls to inquire about, and subsequently support the rezoning, and 2 emails were sent in support of the file. Since the proposed zoning change is consistent with existing uses on the affected sites, the City Plan Commission at its regular meeting on March 14, 2016 recommended approval of the subject file.

Sincerely,

Rocky Marcoux
Executive Secretary
City Plan Commission of Milwaukee

cc: Ald. Kovac
Ald. Bauman
Ald. Puente
Ald. Murphy
Ald. Borkowski
Ald. Witkowski
Ald. Zielinski

