



October 12, 2023

Alyssa Remington
Department of City Development
City of Milwaukee
809 N Broadway
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Ms. Remington,

On behalf of Milwaukee Harbor District, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for MKE Rec's Lincoln Field Riverwalk project. Milwaukee Harbor District is a nonprofit whose mission is to lead the revitalization of Milwaukee's Inner Harbor by connecting people to place, supporting a healthy business community, and improving the quality of the environment. We worked with DCD to establish the Riverwalk Overlay Zone in the Harbor and complete Design Guidelines.

MKE Rec is conducting a renovation of Lincoln Field to convert an underutilized baseball diamond into a soccer field, construct an overlook above the Kinnickinnic River, build a kayak launch on the river, and rehabilitate a pavilion building. This includes a riverfront path on a reach of the river that does not currently have access. Harbor District has consulted with MKE Rec on the project and they have been amenable to our suggestions for river access, as Lincoln Field has not historically utilized the Kinnickinnic River as an amenity. Their plans are in accordance with the Riverwalk Design Guidelines and will be beneficial to the community. They will be conducting landscaping work on the steep bluff above the river that will be beneficial for wildlife habitat and give park visitors increased opportunities to view the river. There is currently not a way to even see the river from Lincoln Field. This project will open up the river in a new way and allow the community to grow a greater appreciation for the Kinnickinnic River.

Milwaukee Harbor District is pleased to support MKE Rec's Riverwalk project. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you for your consideration,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tia Torhorst".

Tia Torhorst
CEO
Milwaukee Harbor District

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