

LRB-Research & Analysis Section

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Title

Resolution directing the proper City officials to prepare and execute an intergovernmental cooperation agreement between the City of Milwaukee and the City of Wauwatosa relating to maintenance responsibilities with respect to Hartung Park.

Introduction

This resolution directs City of Milwaukee officials to enter into an agreement with the City of Wauwatosa to share the annual costs of maintaining the newly developed Hartung Park which straddles the shared boundary-line between the two cities.

Background

Hartung Park, at Keefe Avenue and the Menomonee River Parkway, is the reclamation of the Hartung Quarry landfill, long used by the City to dump clean fill. The \$500,000 Phase I of the landfill's redevelopment is completed and Phase II is scheduled to begin in June, 2010. Half the funding for Phase I came from a State of Wisconsin grant and half was included in DPW's 2008 capital funding budget. Phase II is projected to cost \$500,000 and will likely take 5 years to complete.

The City estimates total 2010 maintenance costs for Phase I of Hartung Park will be approximately \$20,000.

Discussion

Because Hartung Park straddles the boundary-line between Milwaukee and Wauwatosa, officials from the two cities have informally agreed to divide maintenance duties as follows:

Milwaukee Site inspection, trash collection, tree pruning and maintenance of wood chip paths and wood chip playground surfaces,.

Wauwatosa Grass, sod and prairie care. Provision of portable toilet facility.

The City estimates its share of these maintenance tasks will cost \$9,900 in 2010, and sharing Hartung Park's maintenance costs with Wauwatosa will save the City \$10,050.

Fiscal Impact

The Department Public Works did not budget any maintenance costs for Phase I of Hartung Park for 2010.

Total 2010 maintenance costs for Hartung Park are projected to be approximately \$20,000, however, by sharing these maintenance costs with Wauwatosa, the City expects to save \$10,050 (borne by Wauwatosa), so the direct fiscal impact of this resolution is to increase City expenditures by an estimated \$9,900 above 2010 Adopted Budget levels to maintain the newly developed Hartung Park.