



Legislation Text

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Substitute resolution relating to implementation of certain provisions of the 2007 City budget.
To implement certain provisions of the 2007 city budget, this resolution:

1. Approves the City's Sustainable Boulevard Plan.
2. Authorizes the Department of Public Works to fund elements of the plan including, but not limited to, rain gardens, boulevard trees, and other components that absorb and store stormwater from funds previously allocated for the Urban Storm Trees and Green Best Management Practices program in Common Council Resolution File Number 050574.
3. Authorizes and directs the City Comptroller to transfer an additional \$50,000 from the parent account SM 49805000 to the project account for the Urban Storm Trees and Green Best Management Practices program, SM498050005.
4. Directs the Department of Public Works to provide an annual report on plan implementation to the Common Council beginning in October, 2007.

Whereas, Milwaukee's boulevard system is a valuable quality of life asset to the city and provides aesthetic enjoyment for the benefit of residents and visitors; and

Whereas, The Department of Public Works enlisted the advice of citizens, landscape design professionals, and environmentalists to develop recommendations for the Sustainable Boulevard Plan; and

Whereas, The Department of Public Works has developed capital plan alternatives for boulevards that increase the system's environmental and financial sustainability while preserving its aesthetic value; and

Whereas, The operational savings that would result from implementation of the "Sustainable Boulevard Plan" that is included in the City's 2007-2012 Capital Improvements Plan are estimated to recover the plan's capital costs within 6 years; and

Whereas, The key element of the Sustainable Boulevard Plan are:

1. To remove flower and shrub beds from street segments that connect key intersections.
2. To classify boulevard types as "Landmarks," "Gateways," and "Connecting."
3. To enhance planting beds at key street intersections through the use of a mix of annuals, perennials, shrubs, native plants, decorative edging and automated irrigation systems.
4. To introduce rain garden elements into boulevard segments.
5. To plant large growing shade trees on connecting street segments where beds have been eliminated, as funding becomes available.

; now, therefore, be it,

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Sustainable Boulevard Plan that is included as an attachment to this file is approved; and, be it

Further Resolved, That any capital expenditures from the capital account xxx-xxx-xxx "Sustainable Boulevard Plan" and capital account xxx-xxx-xxx "Concealed Irrigation and General Landscaping/City Boulevards" for turf irrigation segments are subject to separate Common Council approval; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Public Works may fund elements of the plan including, but not limited to, rain gardens, boulevard trees, and other components that absorb and store stormwater from account SM498950005 that was allocated for the Urban Storm Trees and Green Best Management Practices program in Common Council Resolution File 050574, adopted on September 27, 2005; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller is authorized and directed to transfer an additional \$50,000 from the parent account SM49805000 to the project account for the Urban Storm Trees and Green Best Management Practices program, SM498050005; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Department of Public Works shall provide an annual report on plan implementation to the Common Council beginning in October, 2007.

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