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Substitute resolution amending the design standards for the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Site Plan Review Overlay Zone as established by Section 295-1009(2) (b) of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances.

This substitute resolution creates specific design standards for the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Site Plan Review Overlay Zone located along the Menomonee River in the Menomonee Valley.

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee ("City") has placed a great emphasis on the full utilization and appreciation of the Menomonee River ("River"); and

Whereas, The City has prepared numerous plans and studies of the potential of Milwaukee's waterways, including the Riverlink Guidelines and the Menomonee Valley 2.0 Comprehensive Area Plan; and

Whereas, Environmentally sensitive development of the river's edge for this part of the River will constitute a significant improvement of an underutilized resource within the City; and

Whereas, The growing system of riverwalks in the City have become a tremendous asset and amenity for all citizens and visitors of Milwaukee; and

Whereas, On July 11, 2017, the Common Council established an initial set of general design standards for the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk through the adoption of File No. 170044; and

Whereas, The Common Council subsequently adopted File No. 171905 directing the Department of City Development ("DCD") to partner with the Menomonee Valley Partners ("MVP") to develop more detailed Riverwalk design standards and concepts unique to the Menomonee Valley to replace the initial general design standards for the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Overlay Zone; and

Whereas, DCD has collaborated with MVP during 2018 to engage a design team to develop updated Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Design Standards, a copy of which are attached to this Common Council File as Exhibit A; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the updated Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Design Standards shall replace those standards approved via File No. 170044 and shall apply to all portions of property located in the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Site Plan Review Overlay Zone, as established by Common Council File No. 170043, located on the north and south sides of the Menomonee River generally extending from the eastern end of Three Bridges Park to the western edge of the Downtown Riverwalk District at the confluence of the Menomonee and Milwaukee Rivers; and, be it

Further Resolved, That Milwaukee's City Plan Commission is authorized to grant deviations from these design standards, on a case-by-case basis, when development in strict accordance with the design standards would cause a hardship or practical difficulty and there are unusual circumstances or conditions which apply to such property. Any deviation

granted shall be consistent with the intent of the Menomonee Valley Riverwalk Design Standards and shall not create substantial detriment to adjacent property nor materially impair its development and all deviations shall be brought before said City Plan Commission.

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