



Great Rivers Greenway

Tuesday, October 10, 2023
Board Meeting

Great Rivers Greenway District Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
District Office 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, St. Louis, MO 63110
11:30am

1. OPENING OF MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

B. OPEN TIME

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C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES September Planning Committee Worksession

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS MAY BE CORRECTED

[View Minutes for Sep 12, 2023](#) - Planning Committee WorkSession

E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES September Board meeting

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS MAY BE CORRECTED

[View Minutes for Sep 12, 2023](#) - Board Meeting

2. PRESENTATION (S)

A. Brickline Greenway - Market Street -Compton/Harris Stowe to 22nd Street Update - Todd Antoine and Kuleya Bruce

3. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. City of Florissant - Sunset Greenway Extension Update; Timothy Lowery, Mayor

File Attachments

[October 2023 Communication City of Florissant Sunset Greenway Extension Update.pdf \(9,168 KB\)](#)

4. REPORT(S) OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUSAN TRAUTMAN

A. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

File Attachments

[2023 October CEO report Great Rivers Greenway FINAL.pdf \(1,574 KB\)](#)

[BOARD Calendar of Events October 2023.pdf \(95 KB\)](#)

B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED

File Attachments

[GRG Executed Contracts Notice September 2023.pdf \(42 KB\)](#)

C. 2023 Construction Fund 3rd Qtr Report

File Attachments

[September 2023 GRG Quarterly Construction Report.pdf \(161 KB\)](#)

5. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 1/10TH REVENUE STREAM

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.76 approving a Cooperation Agreement with the City of Florissant in connection with repairs and habitat improvement along Sunset Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
736	Sunset	Sunset Park	City of Florissant

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Tom Schweiss	City of Florissant	Cooperation Agreement

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	n/a	n/a	n/a

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
n/a	n/a

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDORS LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
n/a

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of an agreement	\$0.00	n/a	n/a

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
n/a

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Conservation stewardship	Ongoing maintenance

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This summer, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) staff became aware of erosion issues along Sunset Greenway in Sunset Park in Florissant. GRG and City of Florissant (City) staff met on site to establish the extent of the erosion issues and discuss means for repairing. Several areas along the greenway were identified as priority repair sites due to the fact that continued erosion on the site could result in damage to the greenway itself. It was determined that a major contributing factor to these erosion issues is the lack of native grasses (ground cover) due to the infestation of invasive species on highly erodible, loess soils. The agreed upon preferred course of action is to remove approximately seventeen (17) acres of invasive bush honeysuckle and undesirable trees adjacent to the greenway, implement erosion control measures along the greenway, and seed the impacted site with native grasses.

This cooperation agreement states that GRG will enter into a contract with a qualified firm to repair the failing erosion control practices, implement additional erosion control to protect the greenway, perform invasive and undesired plant species control, and perform native seeding over the identified seventeen (17) acres. It also states that GRG will coordinate with the City closely for the duration of the project work at Sunset Park. As part

of this cooperation agreement, the City agrees to contract with a qualified firm to perform two (2) years of stewardship on the completed project. The City will be responsible for ongoing maintenance to ensure the site remains in its improved state.

GRG Staff are requesting that the Board of Directors authorize the CEO to negotiate and execute a cooperation agreement with the City for repairs and habitat improvement along Sunset Greenway in Sunset Park.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

RESOLUTION APPROVING A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF FLORISSANT IN CONNECTION WITH REPAIRS AND HABITAT IMPROVEMENT ALONG SUNSET GREENWAY AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted Building the River Ring as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Sunset Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Sunset Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by conducting repairs and conservation projects along the greenways (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of Proposition C and Section 67.1712.1 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City imposed a one-tenth of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the creation, operation and maintenance of the District;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 and further amended and approved by Resolution 2023.58;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 736 for the Project;

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) negotiate and enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the City of Florissant; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on October 10th, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a Cooperation Agreement with the City of Florissant for the Project.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.

4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2023.
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Powers, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.77 approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$82,875 with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. in connection with conservation services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
736	Sunset Greenway	Sunset Park	St. Louis County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Tom Schweiss	DJM Ecological Services, Inc.	Conservation establishment and maintenance

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
NO	25% DBE/5%WBE	NO	NO

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	No, but workforce tracking is in place

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDORS LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
Public Bid	09/2020	N/A	7

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)

Great Rivers Greenway received seven (7) submittals for the regional greenway maintenance public bidding process. Upon staff review of the submittals, DJM Ecological Services, Inc. was found to be best bid for conservation services. Please see original board action for details.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Amendment	\$82,875	\$108,000	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
N/A

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Operations and Maintenance	N/A

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This summer, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) staff became aware of erosion issues along Sunset Greenway in Sunset Park in Florissant. GRG and City of Florissant staff met on site to establish the extent of the erosion issues and discuss means for repairing. It was determined that a major contributing factor to these erosion issues is the lack of native grasses (ground cover) due to the infestation of invasive species on highly erodible, loess soils. The agreed upon preferred course of action is to remove approximately seventeen (17) acres of invasive bush honeysuckle and undesirable trees adjacent to the greenway, implement erosion control measures along the greenway, and seed the impacted site with native grasses.

DJM Ecological Services, Inc. (DJM) is the current contractor for GRG, procured in 2020, responsible for conservation and maintenance services throughout our greenway system. The improvements and repairs necessary along Sunset Greenway are within the scope of work procured by DJM in 2020. DJM Ecological Services, Inc. has experience performing this type of work. Staff feel it is in the best interest of GRG to utilize the existing contract with DJM to expedite these improvements and repairs in 2023 and early 2024 to deliver a finished project to greenway users as soon as possible. GRG staff and DJM evaluated the necessary repairs and a scope of work was developed. The cost estimate for invasive plant clearing and seeding is

\$63,750. GRG staff are requesting an additional 30% for erosion control materials and installation for a total of \$82,875. District staff are requesting these repairs be made by DJM through an amendment to their 2023 contract which was for \$92,415. Their new contract amount would be \$175,290. This work is scheduled to be completed in 2023. Upon completion, the City of Florissant is committed to ongoing maintenance related to the project to keep it in its improved state.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2022.102	Contract renewal with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. for conservation services along greenways
2022.72	Contract amendment with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. for Deer Creek flood repairs
2021.107	Contract renewal with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. for conservation services along greenways
2020.101	Contract with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. for conservation services along greenways

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$82,875 WITH DJM ECOLOGICAL SERVICES, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH CONSERVATION SERVICES AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the District) is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted Building the River Ring as the Regional

Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Greenways are shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Greenways");

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by completing conservation projects along the greenways (the Project);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of Proposition C and Section 67.1712.1 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City imposed a one-tenth of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the creation, operation and maintenance of the District;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 and further amended and approved by Resolution 2023.58;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item (736) for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2022.102, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. for Conservation Services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with DJM Ecological Services, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. in order to amend the period of service and compensation under the existing contract;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with DJM Ecological Services, Inc.; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the Board), convened at 11:30 am, on October 10th, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with DJM Ecological Services, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$82,875.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2023.
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

MONICA M. HUDDLESTON, President

ATTEST:

GLEN POWERS, Secretary

Vote:

Aye: _____
 Nay: _____
 Abstain: _____
 Absent: _____
 Not Present: _____

C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.78 approving a Mural Agreement with Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in connection with the Meramec Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same.-Angelica Gutierrez



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
725E	Meramec	Unger Park to George Winter Park	Missouri Department of Transportation - City of Fenton

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Angelica Gutierrez	Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission	Mural Agreement

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	N/A	N/A	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDOR'S LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
N/A

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Mural Agreement	N/A	N/A	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
N/A

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2023	Design	Final Design + Bidding

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action requests to authorize the CEO to enter into a Mural Agreement with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission (MoDOT) for the Meramec Greenway Signage Betterment Project at Yarnell Rd where it crosses underneath I-44, in the City of Fenton.

The Meramec Greenway Signage Betterment Project includes upgrading the signage and GRG brand graphics to ensure an excellent visitor experience along the Meramec Greenway from George Winter Park to Unger Park. Because of the new I-44 bicycle and pedestrian bridge crossing over the Meramec Greenway, the wayfinding signage is out of date and greenway users occasionally get lost or confused. Additionally, there are opportunities to improve the experience underneath the I-44 Bridge at Yarnell Rd. The GRG Board has authorized similar mural agreements with MoDOT when greenways cross underneath MoDOT highways and there is an opportunity to use GRG’s environmental brand graphics on the bridge support columns. This action includes the following:

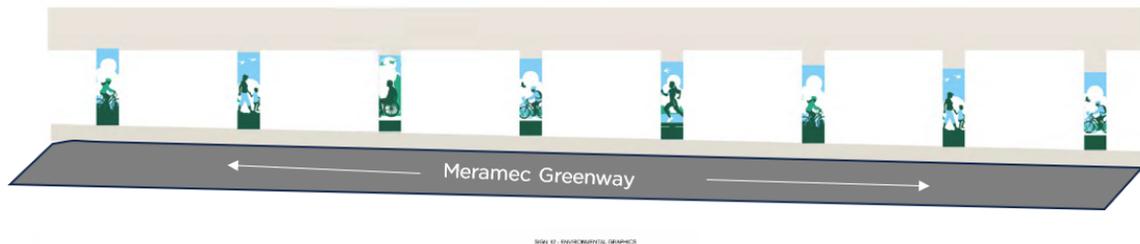
- Environmental graphics:
 - GRG branded columns painted underneath the I-44 bridge: The placement of the environmental graphics on the bridge support columns owned by MoDot as part of the overall signage upgrades under design.

This Mural Agreement will authorize GRG’s contractor to paint graphics as depicted on the renderings below. Pursuant to the terms of the Mural

Agreement, GRG will maintain the graphics in good condition, provide insurance coverage protecting the Commission and MoDOT, along with other terms and conditions regarding the performance of the work and compliance with applicable laws. The agreement follows the previous mural agreements that MoDOT and GRG have entered into.

GRG staff recommends moving forward with the Mural Agreement in order to authorize the mural graphics' placement on the highway columns to enhance the greenway user experience along the Meramec Greenway.

MERAMEC GREENWAY - YARNELL ROAD UNDER I-44 BRIDGE
 Proposed Environmental Graphics | 8 columns adjacent to the greenway.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

RESOLUTION APPROVING A MURAL AGREEMENT WITH MISSOURI HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION IN CONNECTION WITH MERAMEC GREENWAY AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, the District was formed to undertake the development, operation and maintenance of a public system of interconnecting trails and parks throughout the areas and counties comprising the District (the "District's Mission");

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District's Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted "Building the River Ring" as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the "River Ring Regional Plan");

WHEREAS, the Meramec Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the "Meramec Greenway");

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by improving the greenway experience at the Meramec Greenway (the "Project");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of Proposition C and Section 67.1712.1 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City imposed a one-tenth of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the creation, operation and maintenance of the District;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89("Capital Budget");

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item Signage Betterment: George Winter Park to Unger Park for the Project;

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) negotiate and enter into a Mural Agreement with Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on October 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a Mural Agreement with Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission for the Project.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2023.
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Powers, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

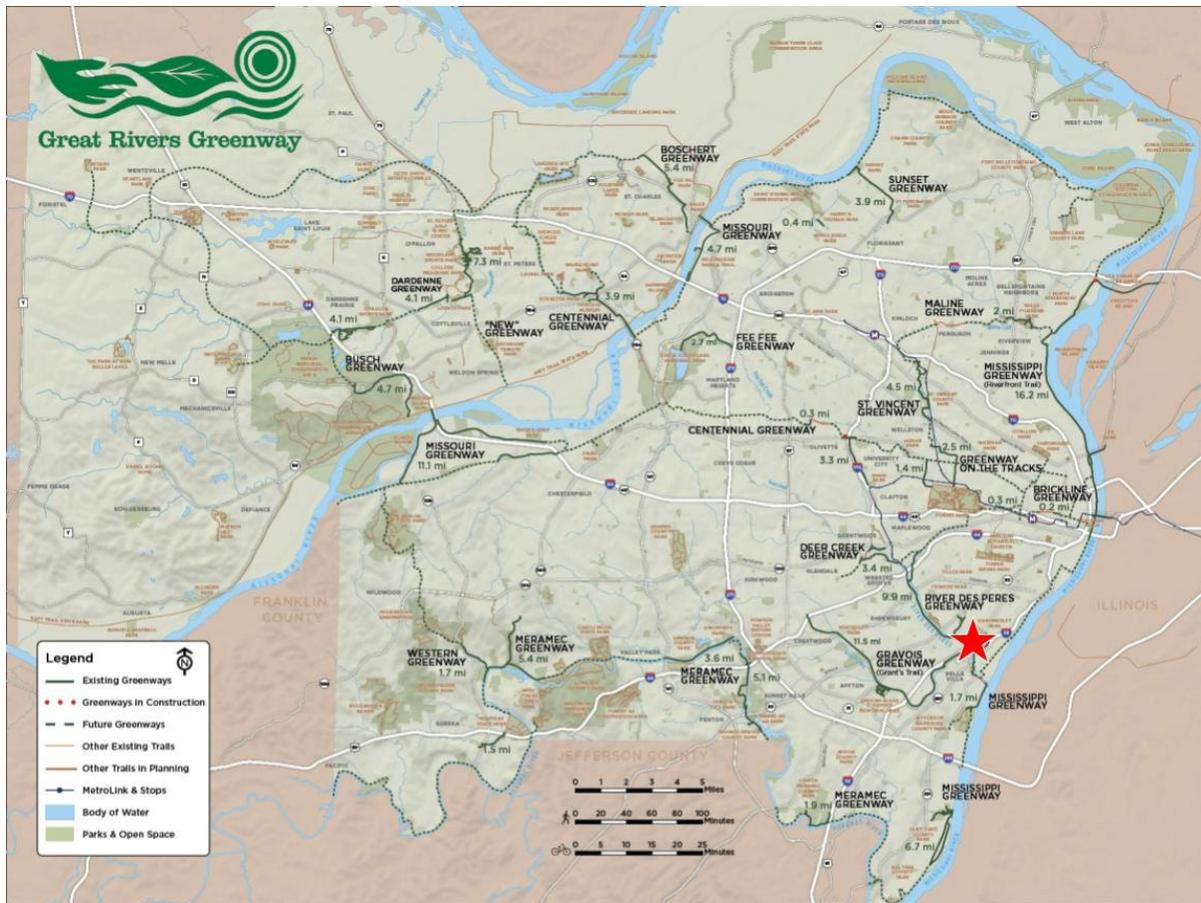
Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.79 approving a Construction Management Contract not to exceed \$273,560.00 with Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. in connection with Carondelet Connector Retaining Wall Replacement and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Susan Jankowski



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
732E	River des Peres	Carondelet Connector	City of St. Louis

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Susan Jankowski	Kozeny-Wagner, Inc.	Construction Management

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	25%/5% DBE/WBE	No	No

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
ABNA Engineering - 8.4% - DBE	N/A

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDOR'S LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
RFQ	August 2023	N/A	4

Four (4) firms submitted qualifications for this project: Shannon & Wilson, Inc., Navigate Building Solutions, LLC, HORNER & SHIFRIN, Inc. and Kozeny-Wagner, Inc.

All four (4) firms were interviewed by a panel of Great Rivers Greenway employees and the score for 732E, based on our current rating system, placed Kozeny-Wagner highest and most qualified for this project.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract	\$273,560	\$273,560	GRG 1/10th

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
N/A

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024/2025	Preconstruction and Construction	Bid documents from ABNA, Inc. and procuring construction firm.

WHY AND/OR HOW:

Carondelet Connector is a spur of the River des Peres Greenway, connecting Carondelet Park to the River des Peres Greenway and runs alongside I-55 in South St. Louis. Great Rivers Greenway owns and operates this segment, south of Loughborough bridge to Germania.

The Carondelet Connector has three (3) retaining walls, constructed from natural limestone boulders. After several years of operations, a vehicle left the roadway from I-55 and damaged the wall. During repair, the contractor experienced difficulty moving the boulders without them crumbling. GRG asked an engineering firm to investigate the issue and it was discovered that the boulders contained a large amount of shale, which becomes brittle when exposed to the elements. Since the original accident, the walls have continued to degrade.

GRG Staff procured ABNA Engineering, Inc. ("ABNA") to design the new walls and provide construction documents. The next phase of this project is procuring a Construction Manager and then Contractors for the replacement. We are currently seeking approval for Construction Management and Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. proved to be the most qualified to oversee this project. Their vast experience with concrete construction, retaining walls and coordinating projects with ABNA, the City of St. Louis and Missouri Department of Transportation made them the best choice for this project.

At this time, staff are requesting that the Board of Directors grant the CEO authority to negotiate and enter into a contract with Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. for Construction Management services for 732E, Replacement of the Carondelet Connector Retaining walls.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$273,560.00 WITH KOZENY-WAGNER, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH CARONDELET CONNECTOR WALL REPLACEMENT AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District d/b/a The Great Rivers Greenway District (the "District") is a metropolitan park and recreation district authorized under Section 67.1700 to 67.1769 of the Revised Statutes of Missouri, as amended (the "District Act");

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Clean Water, Safe Parks, and Community Trails Initiative ("Proposition C"), the qualified voters of St. Louis County, St. Charles County, and St. Louis City approved the creation of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative ("Proposition P") and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-

sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.88 and further amended and approved by Resolution 2023.58;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item (732E) for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District's Procurement Policy and Section 67.1769 of the District Act, the District issued and advertised Request for Qualifications for Carondelet Connector Retaining Wall Repair or in furtherance of the Project and received four (4) responses;

WHEREAS, Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. was found to be qualified and whose proposal is in conformance with Section 67.1769 of the District Act (the "Proposal");

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Proposal; (ii) negotiate and enter into a contract with Kozeny-Wagner, Inc.; and (iii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the "Board"), convened at 11:30 am, on October 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Proposal.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$273,560.00 for the Project.
3. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.

4. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
5. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
6. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10 day of October, 2023.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT

Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Powers, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

6. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 3/16TH REVENUE STREAM

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.80 approving a Contract Amendment with the City of Brentwood, Missouri in connection with Deer Creek Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mark Vogl



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
287	Deer Creek Greenway	Marshall Road to Manchester ("Brentwood Bound")	City of Brentwood in St. Louis County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Mark Vogl	City of Brentwood (Owner/Partner)	Contract Amendment

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	WHAT ARE THE DBE GOALS FOR THIS PROJECT?	IS THIS VENDOR A REGISTERED DBE OR ON A DBE LIST? LIST ALL THAT APPLY: WBE, MBE, OTHER	IF NOT REGISTERED, DOES THEIR OWNERSHIP REFLECT WOMEN OR MINORITIES? (PLEASE EXPLAIN)
No	n/a	n/a	n/a

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
n/a	n/a

PROCUREMENT TYPE: RFQ, RFP, BID, VENDOR'S LIST, SOLE SOURCE, OTHER	PROCUREMENT MONTH/YEAR:	IF A CONTRACT RENEWAL, HOW MANY YEARS HAVE PASSED AND ARE LEFT?	# OF PROCUREMENT RESPONSES:
Municipality and Greenway Development Partner	n/a	n/a	n/a

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
n/a

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract Amendment	\$0	\$575,500	n/a

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

Brentwood Bound is a \$90 million partnership project funded by Brentwood municipal sales tax, bond proceeds and multiple philanthropic, state and federal grants. Additional funding for adjacent and overlapping projects is being administered by Missouri Department of Transportation and Metropolitan Sewer District.

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024-2025	Construction	Completion

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action is to approve a contract amendment with the City of Brentwood ("City") to extend the period of service and reimbursement for construction related to the Deer Creek Greenway. This contract amendment does not increase Great Rivers Greenway's ("GRG") financial obligation to the project.

Background

Construction of the Deer Creek Greenway extension into the City began in 2021 as part of the City's ambitious \$90 million Brentwood Bound initiative. Brentwood Bound is a comprehensive plan to renew the area between Manchester Road, Deer Creek, Brentwood Boulevard and Hanley Road. There are three (3) components to the plan: Deer Creek flood mitigation; improvements to Manchester Road; and an extension of Deer Creek Greenway, from Marshall Avenue north to Rogers Parkway (the Deer Creek Greenway connector project). GRG staff have been collaborating with the City on the design and implementation of this project since 2017 and our cooperation has been authorized by a series of GRG Board resolutions, 2017.08, 2018.51, 2019.94, 2020.78 and 2022.75.

Details on this Action

The current agreement (per resolution 2020.78) to construct, operate and maintain the Deer Creek Greenway connector committed \$3 million of GRG financial support for the project, subject to annual appropriations of \$1.5 million in 2021 and \$1.5 million in 2022 from GRG's annual budget for project #287 Deer Creek Greenway. At the time this agreement was prepared and executed, both GRG and the City expected that greenway construction would be complete by the end of 2022. However, due to several delays, it was necessary to amend the agreement with City (resolution 2022.75) to

extend the project construction period through the end of 2023. Although the park, and most of the new greenway, officially opened in June 2023, ongoing delays related to upgrading the existing Union Pacific Railroad crossing at Brentwood Boulevard have significantly impacted construction of the final portion of Deer Creek Greenway between Brazeau and Marshall Avenues. City anticipates issuing a notice-to-proceed for greenway construction in November, with most construction activity expected throughout 2024, pending coordination and cooperation between Union Pacific, City, St. Louis County, Missouri Department of Transportation, East-West Gateway Council of Governments and numerous utilities.

As a result of these delays, and due to the ongoing uncertainty of construction related to the Union Pacific Railroad crossing project on Brentwood Boulevard, GRG and City have proposed amending the existing agreement to extend the terms of the agreement and reimbursement period through the end of 2025. This amendment will not increase GRG's original \$3 million total commitment to the project but will authorize GRG to continue reimbursing the City for greenway construction costs until the project is complete in 2024 or 2025.





RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2006.65	Approval of Shady and Deer Creek Greenway Plan
2017.08	Cooperation Agreement with the City of Brentwood
2018.51	Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Brentwood
2019.94	Supplemental Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Brentwood
2020.78	Cooperation Agreement with City of Brentwood for Construction, Operation and Maintenance of Deer Creek Greenway
2022.75	Amended Cooperation Agreement with the City of Brentwood for Construction, Operation and Maintenance of Deer Creek Greenway

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH THE CITY OF BRENTWOOD, MISSOURI IN CONNECTION WITH DEER CREEK GREENWAY AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

WHEREAS, in furtherance of the District’s Mission, and in accordance with the Bylaws of the District, the District adopted “Building the River Ring” as the Regional Plan for the District, and which contains the comprehensive plan of the District, its existing and proposed interconnecting greenway, park and trail projects, and any proposed land acquisitions (the “River Ring Regional Plan”);

WHEREAS, the Deer Creek Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Deer Creek Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by building the Deer Creek Greenway (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of the Safe and Accessible Arch and Public Parks Initiative (“Proposition P”) and Section 67.1712.2 of the District Act, the governing bodies of St. Louis City and St. Louis County imposed a three-sixteenths of one cent sales tax for the purpose of funding the operation and maintenance of the portion of the District located within St. Louis City and St. Louis County;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2022.89 and further amended and approved by Resolution 2023.58;

WHEREAS, the 2023 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 287 for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2022.75, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with the City of Brentwood for the Construction, Operation and Maintenance of Deer Creek Greenway in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with the City of Brentwood;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with the City of Brentwood in order to amend period of service and reimbursement under the existing contract;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with the City of Brentwood; and (ii) take any actions necessary or appropriate to effectuate the same; and

WHEREAS, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”), convened at 11:30 am, on October 10, 2023, at the District Offices at 3745

Foundry Way, St. Louis, Missouri, at which was present a quorum of the Board, the Board took the action further described herein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

1. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with the City of Brentwood.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or her designees to take such further action, and execute such other documents, certificates and instruments as may be necessary or desirable to carry out and comply with the intent of this Resolution.
3. All actions heretofore taken by the officers, agents, and employees of the District related to the transactions contemplated by this Resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed.
4. The portions of this Resolution shall be severable. In the event that any portion of this Resolution is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid, the remaining portions of this Resolution are valid, unless the court finds the valid portions of this Resolution are so essential and inseparably connected with and dependent upon the void portion that it cannot be presumed that the Board would have enacted the valid portions without the invalid ones, or unless the court finds that the valid portions standing alone are incomplete and are incapable of being executed in accordance with the legislative intent.
5. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately from and after its adoption as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 10th day of October, 2023.
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

Glenn Powers, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

7. CLOSED SESSION

A. ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board of the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District, d/b/a Great Rivers Greenway, may go into closed session at this meeting if such action is approved by a majority vote of the Board members who constitute a quorum, to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under RSMo. §610.021(1); leasing, purchase or sale of real estate under §610.021(2); personnel actions under §610.021(3); specifications for competitive bidding under §610.021(11); sealed bids under §610.021(12); personnel records under §610.021(13); or records under §610.021(14) which are otherwise protected from disclosure by law; or confidential or privileged communications with the District's auditor, including auditor work products under §610.021(17).

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8. ADJOURNMENT

A. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

B. ADJOURN