



**Tuesday, June 11, 2024**

**2024 JUNE 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/Roll Call**

#### **B. OPEN TIME**

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### **C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES May Personnel, Policy and Procedures Committee**

[View Minutes](#) for May 14, 2024 - Personnel, Policy and Procedures Committee Agenda

#### **E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES May Board meeting**

[View Minutes](#) for May 14, 2024 - 2024 MAY Board Meeting

## **2. PRESENTATION (S)**

### **A. 2023 Annual Audit Presentation - Mark Graves, Schmersal Treloar & Co., P.C.**

File Attachments

[Great Rivers Greenway 2023 Draft.pdf \(17,679 KB\)](#)

[GRG Single Audit Report 2023 Draft.pdf \(763 KB\)](#)

### **B. Q4 2023 Financial Statement Presentation - Mike Carson**

File Attachments

[4th Qtr 2023 GRG Financial Statement Summary.pdf \(351 KB\)](#)

[Q4 2023 GRG Financials Draft 06.05.2024.pdf \(1,279 KB\)](#)

## **3. REPORTS OF OFFICERS**

**A. TREASURER REPORT: Phyllis Young - That the Board adopt 2023 4th Quarter Financials pending audit and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. Mike Carson**

## **4. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

**A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2024.55 accepting the 2023 Financial Statement Audit and authorizing other actions to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson**

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE 2023 FINANCIAL STATEMENT  
AUDIT 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;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Bylaws of the District, the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”) shall appoint an Independent Auditor for an annual inspection of the District’s records and shall require an annual financial audit and a comprehensive written report of findings and recommendations of the Independent Auditor to be submitted and presented to the Board by the June Regular Meeting;

**WHEREAS**, Schmersahl, Treloar & Co., P.C. was appointed by the District to serve as the Independent Auditor and has submitted and presented its 2023 Financial Statement Audit of the District to the District;

**WHEREAS**, the 2023 Financial Statement Audit has been reviewed by District staff and was presented to the District’s Committee on Budget and Finance at its June 11, 2024 meeting;

**WHEREAS**, the District’s Committee on Budget and Finance has recommended acceptance of the 2023 Financial Statement Audit by the Board;

**WHEREAS**, at a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”), convened at 11:30 am, on June 11, 2024, at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, Suite 253, 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 accepts the 2023 Financial Statement Audit submitted and presented by Schmersahl, Treloar & CO., P.C.
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 11th day of June, 2024.  
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
**D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

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Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Powers, Secretary

**Vote:**

Aye: \_\_\_\_

Nay: \_\_\_\_

Abstain: \_\_\_\_

Absent: \_\_\_\_

Not Present: \_\_\_\_

## 5. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

## 6. REPORT(s) OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUSAN TRAUTMAN

### A. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

File Attachments

[BOARD Calendar JUNE 2024.pdf \(201 KB\)](#)

[2024 JUNE CEO report Great Rivers Greenway.pdf \(1,463 KB\)](#)

### B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED

[GRG Executed Contracts Notice May 2024.pdf \(45 KB\)](#)

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

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

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2024.56 approving a Reimbursement Agreement not to exceed \$50,000 with the City of Brentwood in connection with the Brentwood Wetland Arboretum and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss



**WHERE:**

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
735	Deer Creek	Deer Creek Center to Big Bend	City of Brentwood

**WHO:**

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Tom Schweiss	City of Brentwood	Reimbursement 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 an agreement	\$50,000	\$50,000	n/a

**OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES**

n/a

**WHEN:**

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024	Construction	Operations and Maintenance

**WHY AND/OR HOW:**

The City of Brentwood is seeking \$50,000 in reimbursement funding for the implementation of the Brentwood Wetland Arboretum Restoration Project on approximately five acres of land along Deer Creek. The subject site is located on the northeast corner of Brentwood Blvd. and Marshall Ave., adjacent to the Deer Creek Greenway and just south of Brentwood Park. Last year, Great Rivers Greenway staff presented this project to the Great Rivers Greenway Foundation and the funding request for \$50,000 was approved. The Great Rivers Greenway Foundation intends on reimbursing Great Rivers Greenway for the full amount paid to the City of Brentwood.

Planned improvements to the property include grading work to improve wetland function, invasive plant management, removal of turf grass, native grass and wildflower seeding, native tree and shrub planting, and walking path development. These restoration activities are set to take place in summer and fall of 2024.

In 2017, Great Rivers Greenway convened municipal and organizational partners to create a master-plan for the subject site as a potential addition to the Deer Creek Greenway. The recommendations that came out of that effort will be incorporated into this project. Great Rivers Greenway staff are currently serving in an advisory role on this project with the

Deer Creek Watershed Alliance and the City of Brentwood project managing the design, construction, and maintenance of this project. The total anticipated cost for this project is \$535,000. This figure includes the purchase of the property, design, implementation, and one year of maintenance. Funding partners for the project include the City of Brentwood, Missouri

Department of Natural Resources, Missouri Department of Conservation, and the Open Space Council for the St. Louis Region.

The City of Brentwood's Parks and Recreation Department staff will be responsible for the long-term maintenance of this project after the one-year establishment period performed by a qualified contractor.

#### **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
2020.78	Cooperation Agreement with the City of Brentwood

**RESOLUTION APPROVING A REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 WITH THE CITY OF BRENTWOOD IN CONNECTION WITH THE BRENTWOOD WETLAND ARBORETUM 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 Deer Creek Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Deer Creek Greenway”);

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by improving habitats 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 2024 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2023.98(Capital Budget);

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 735 for the Project;

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) negotiate and enter into a Reimbursement Agreement 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 June 11, 2024, 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 Reimbursement Agreement with the City of Brentwood in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 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 11th day of June, 2024.  
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
**D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

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Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Powers, Secretary

**Vote:**

Aye:

Nay:

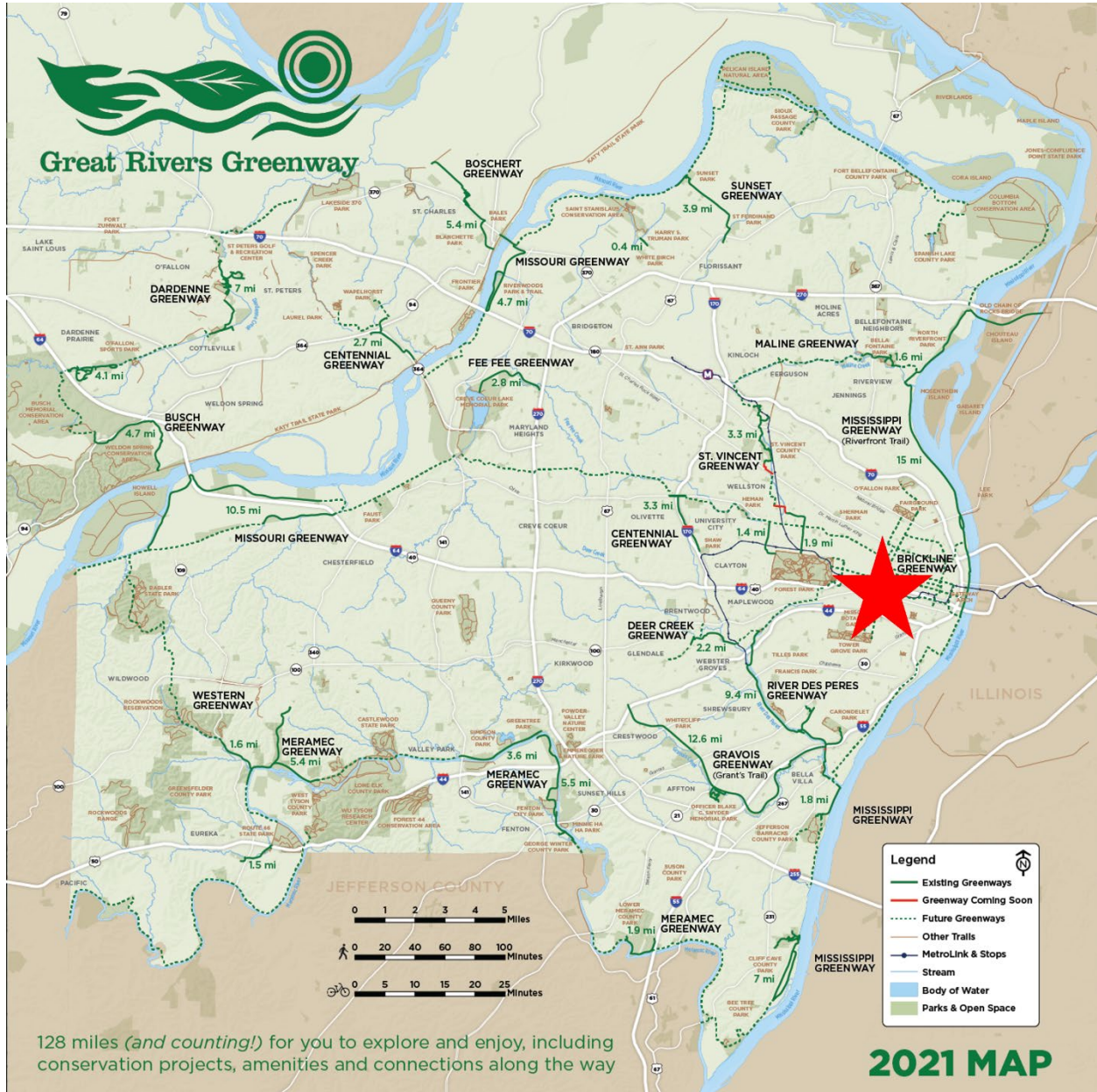
Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

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

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2024.57 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$897,000, subject to future appropriations, with EFK Moen, LLC in connection with Brickline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Lonny Boring



**WHERE:**

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
308K	Brickline Greenway	Midtown I-64 Crossing, Laclede Ave to Grand MetroLink Station	City of St. Louis

**WHO:**

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Lonny Boring & Michael Steinlage	EFK Moen, LLC (WBE)	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	25% MBE & 5% WBE	WBE	N/A

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED AND DBE STATUS	DOES THIS PROJECT HAVE WORKFORCE GOALS?
47.1% EFK Moen, LLC (WBE) 37.3% The Lamar Johnson Collaborative Inc. 8.2% TSi Geotechnical, Inc (M/WBE) 3.2% Civil Design, Inc (WBE) 4.2% Kivindyo Engineering Services, LLC (MBE)	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:
Vendor List Invitation to Interview	May-June 2021	N/A	3

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

Per GRG's procurement policy, an invitation to interview was sent to three (3) firms for professional design and engineering services for the project. The three firms selected for interviews were on both the GRG prequalification (vendor) list and the MoDOT on-call list for engineering services. The firms included: EFK Moen, LLC (WBE), Engineering Design Source, Inc. (MBE) and Civil Design, Inc. (WBE). A selection committee composed of staff from both GRG and MoDOT conducted online interviews on May 13, 2021. The EFK Moen, LLC team was the unanimous recommendation from the selection committee.

#### WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Amendment	\$897,000	\$552,700	2025 GRG 3/16th Capital Budget pending future board approval.

#### OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

N/A

#### WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024-2025	Preliminary and Schematic Design	Intermediate and Final Design

#### WHY AND/OR HOW:

This Board Resolution will enable GRG to execute a contract amendment with a design team lead by EFK Moen, LLC (WBE) for preliminary and schematic design for the Brickline Greenway: Midtown I-64 Project. The project was awarded over \$9.9 million from the U. S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Reconnecting Communities Pilot (RCP) Discretionary Grant for construction in March 2024 and recently \$2 million of Community Priority Funding was supported through Congresswoman Bush's office.

The Brickline Greenway Framework Plan includes a concept for a pedestrian and bicycle crossing of I-64 within the Midtown neighborhood of St. Louis. The project lies at the central crossroads of the Brickline Greenway near the City Foundry STL and Armory District developments, Saint Louis University, Saint Louis University Medical Campus and the Grand MetroLink station (308K), as shown on the map below. In 2021, Green Street St. Louis' Phil Hulse, owner and developer of the Armory District, contributed \$420,000 to the Great Rivers Greenway Foundation for this project. The donation was used to fund the initial planning and alignment study for the project. Pursuant to Resolution 2021.52, GRG has worked with a consultant team led by EFK Moen, LLC, (WBE), to study the feasibility and conceptual engineering of a bicycle and pedestrian crossing the I-64 corridor within the project area. As the proposed crossing of I-64 involves the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and its interstate Right-of-Way, extensive coordination with MoDOT was completed in the feasibility study. The effort produced a feasible and preferred greenway crossing of I-64 at Spring Ave.

Pursuant to Resolution 2023.73, GRG submitted and was awarded over \$9.9 million in USDOT RCP Discretionary Grant Program funding in support of construction for the project and recently \$2 million of Community Priority Funding was supported through Congresswoman Bush's office. This followed action in July of 2023, pursuant to Resolution 2023.57, for GRG to amend the original contract with EFK Moen, LLC to complete technical analysis and grant application preparation support.

Following notification of the RCP award in March 2024, GRG staff began negotiating a design and engineering services scope and fee with a team lead by EFK Moen, LLC (WBE). The selected team of subconsultants includes: the The Lamar Johnson Collaborative Inc., TSi Geotechnical, Inc (M/WBE), Civil Design, Inc (WBE), and Kivindyo Engineering Services, LLC (MBE). The not to exceed fee for preliminary and schematic design of the project is \$897,000 and 62.7% of the contract value is held by M/WBE firms.

This represents the initial phase of design and engineering services for the project. Additional contract amendments for intermediate and final design and construction administration services are expected to occur between 2025-2027. The goal is to construct the project concurrently with MoDOT's reconstruction and rehabilitation of I-64 currently planned for 2027-2028.

The 2024 budget for the (308K) project includes \$552,700. Contract expenditures within 2024 are projected to remain within the available budget. Future GRG 3/16 Capital Budgets will include the funds for the remaining efforts subject to Board approval.





**RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2023.73	Approval of application to the Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods federal discretionary grant
2023.57	Approval of contract amendment with EFK Moen, LLC for federal grant application support
2021.52	Approval of a contract with EFK Moen, LLC for a Brickline Greenway: Midtown I-64 Crossing feasibility study

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$897,000 SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH EFK MOEN, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH BRICKLINE 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 Brickline Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Brickline Greenway”);

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by designing and constructing the Midtown I-64 Crossing along Spring Ave between Laclede Ave and the Grand MetroLink Station (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 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2023.98;

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item (308K) for the Project;

**WHEREAS**, the 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget will include line item 308K for the Project;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Resolution 2021.52, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with EFK Moen, LLC for feasibility and conceptual engineering services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with EFK Moen, LLC;

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with EFK Moen, LLC in order to amend the period of service and compensation for EFK Moen, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$897,000.

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with EFK Moen, LLC; 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 June 11, 2024, 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 EFK Moen, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$897,000, subject to future appropriation 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 11th day of June, 2024.  
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
**D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

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Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Powers, Secretary

**Vote:**

Aye:

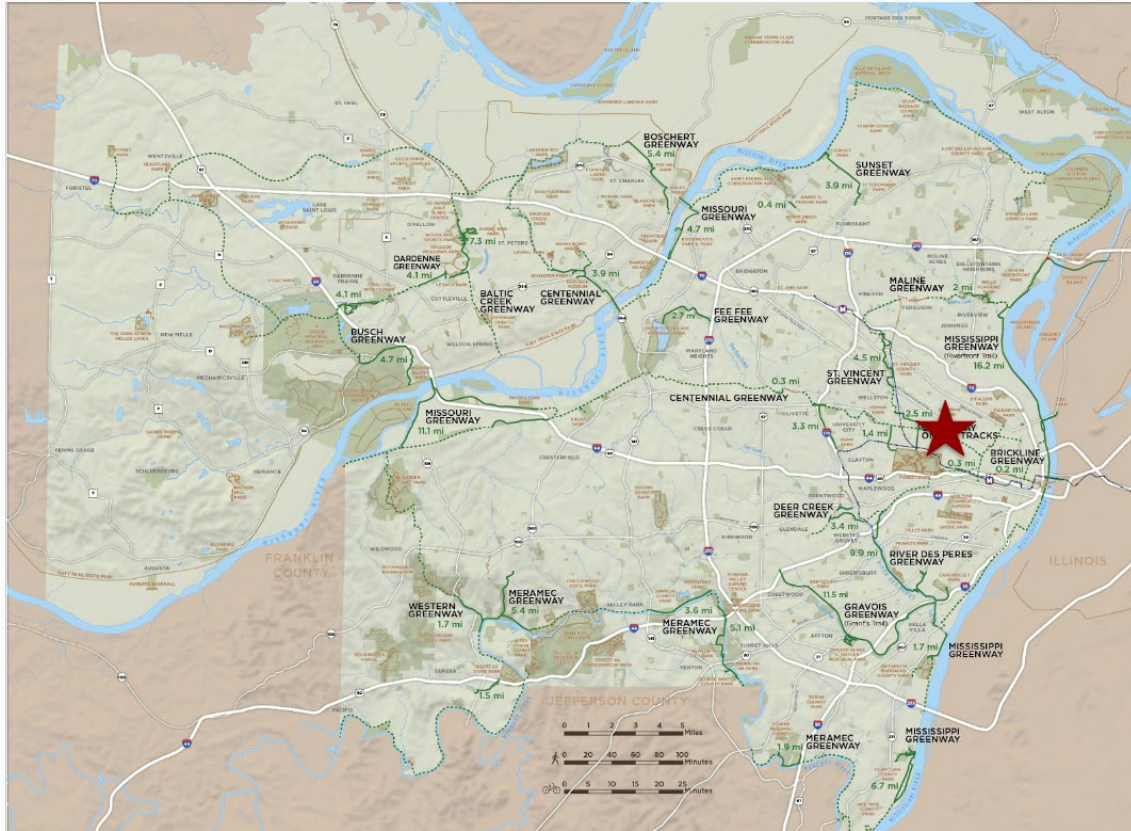
Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

**B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2024.58 approving an Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) Grant application with the US Department of Transportation in connection with Greenway on the Hodiament Tracks and pledge \$4,140,000, subject to future appropriation, toward the local match and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Todd Antoine**



**WHERE:**

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
288B	Greenway on the Hodiament Tracks	Taylor Ave to Brickline Greenway	City of St. Louis

**WHO:**

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Todd Antoine/Mark Vogt	US Department of Transportation - Federal Highway Administration	Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)

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 Grant Application	\$4,140,000	\$70,000	Subject to appropriation of funds budgeted for 2025-2026-2027

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
The Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) is a new competitive grant program created by Section 11529 of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58) to construct projects to provide safe and

## OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

connected active transportation facilities in active transportation networks or active transportation spines.

### WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024-2028	Design	Construction

### WHY AND/OR HOW:

This Resolution will authorize Great Rivers Greenway to submit an application to the US Department of Transportation for an Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) construction grant for Greenway on the Hodiamont Tracks and pledge local matching funds, subject to future appropriation. The grant applications are due June 17, 2024.

#### **Background**

Greenway on the Hodiamont Tracks (Hodiamont Greenway) is a planned 3.5-mile greenway along the former Hodiamont streetcar line in the City of St. Louis. Hodiamont will link St. Vincent Greenway to the future Brickline Greenway and many employment, cultural and transit destinations along the corridor. GRG completed the Hodiamont Conceptual Plan in 2021 which was driven by community engagement and established a vision for how the greenway could link seven city neighborhoods together. In 2023, GRG advanced the design of the entire 3.5 mile segment to 30% design. Additional design is currently in-progress on the western end of the greenway at Gwen Giles Park and its intersection with St. Vincent Greenway. Funding sought through the ATIIP grant will be utilized on the eastern end of the greenway, from Taylor Avenue to Spring Avenue where it will connect with the planned Brickline Greenway.

#### **Details on this Action**

ATIIP was established to provide discretionary grants to plan, design, and construct projects that provide safe and connected active transportation infrastructure. "Active transportation" is defined as mobility options that are powered by human energy. These facilities, including sidewalks, bikeways, and pedestrian and bicycle trails, provide connections between neighborhoods and high-demand destinations like schools, workplaces, commercial centers, recreation areas, medical centers or other community areas.

ATIIP projects are intended to help improve the safety, efficiency, and reliability of active transportation networks and communities; improve connectivity between active transportation modes and public transportation; enhance the resiliency of on- and off-road active transportation



infrastructure and help protect the environment; and improve quality of life in disadvantaged communities through the delivery of connected active transportation networks and expanded mobility opportunities.

With many destinations and community facilities nearby, the Greenway on the Hodiamont Tracks is well suited for this grant opportunity. Utilizing an ATIIP grant for the construction of Greenway on the Tracks will address barriers to safe, accessible, and equitable pedestrian and bicycle network connectivity through the development of infrastructure that will provide substantial opportunities for walking and cycling. At 1.24 miles long, this portion of the Greenway on the Tracks will also have a direct connection to Brickline Greenway at the intersection of Spring and Enright Avenues. (see map below).

GRG staff have received a letter of support from Bi-State Development Agency and is securing one from the City of St. Louis which are both needed due to both organizations owning this segment of the proposed greenway right-of-way.

The construction estimate for the Taylor Avenue to Spring Avenue segment of the Greenway on the Tracks is approximately \$16,560,000. Great Rivers Greenway staff expects significant competition for ATIIP grant awards due to \$44 million dollars available in this current grant round. Although a local match is not required, "projects with greater matching share may receive a higher rating under (ATIIP grant) Merit Criterion." Therefore, staff recommends a 25% local match (\$4,140,000) toward construction, resulting in a grant application amount of \$12,420,000. Grant awards will be announced later this year and ATIIP awards must be obligated by September 30, 2026.





**RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2018.33	Approval of a Contract with Vector Communications for Community Engagement Services
2019.50	Approval of a Contract with EDSI, Inc. for Surveying Services
2020.29	Approval of a Contract with DTLS, Inc. for Design Services
2021.110	Approval of a Contract Amendment with DTLS, Inc. for Design Services
2022.56	Approval of a Contract Amendment with DTLS, Inc. for Design Services

**RESOLUTION APPROVING AN ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION  
INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PROGRAM (ATIIP) GRANT  
APPLICATION WITH THE US DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION IN CONNECTION WITH GREENWAY ON THE  
HODIAMONT TRACKS AND PLEDGE \$4,140,000, SUBJECT TO  
FUTURE APPROPRIATION, TOWARD THE LOCAL  
MATCH 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**, 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 Hodiament Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Hodiament Greenway”);

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by submitting an application (the “Application”) for capital construction funding from the Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) from the US Department of Transportation for the Hodiament Greenway (the “Project”) and providing matching funds of \$4,140,000 subject to future Board appropriations;



**WHEREAS**, the 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2023.98;

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 288 for the Project;

**WHEREAS**, if the ATIIP grant is awarded, the 2025, 2026 and 2027 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget will include line item Hodiamont Greenway for the Project, subject to approval by the Board of Directors of the District;

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) submit the Application to the US Department of Transportation including matching funds of \$4,140,000 subject to future Board appropriations; 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 June 11, 2024, 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 submit the Application to the US Department of Transportation for the Project which includes matching funds of \$4,140,000, subject to future Board appropriations.
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 11th day of June, 2024.  
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT  
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

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Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Powers, Secretary

**Vote:**

Aye:

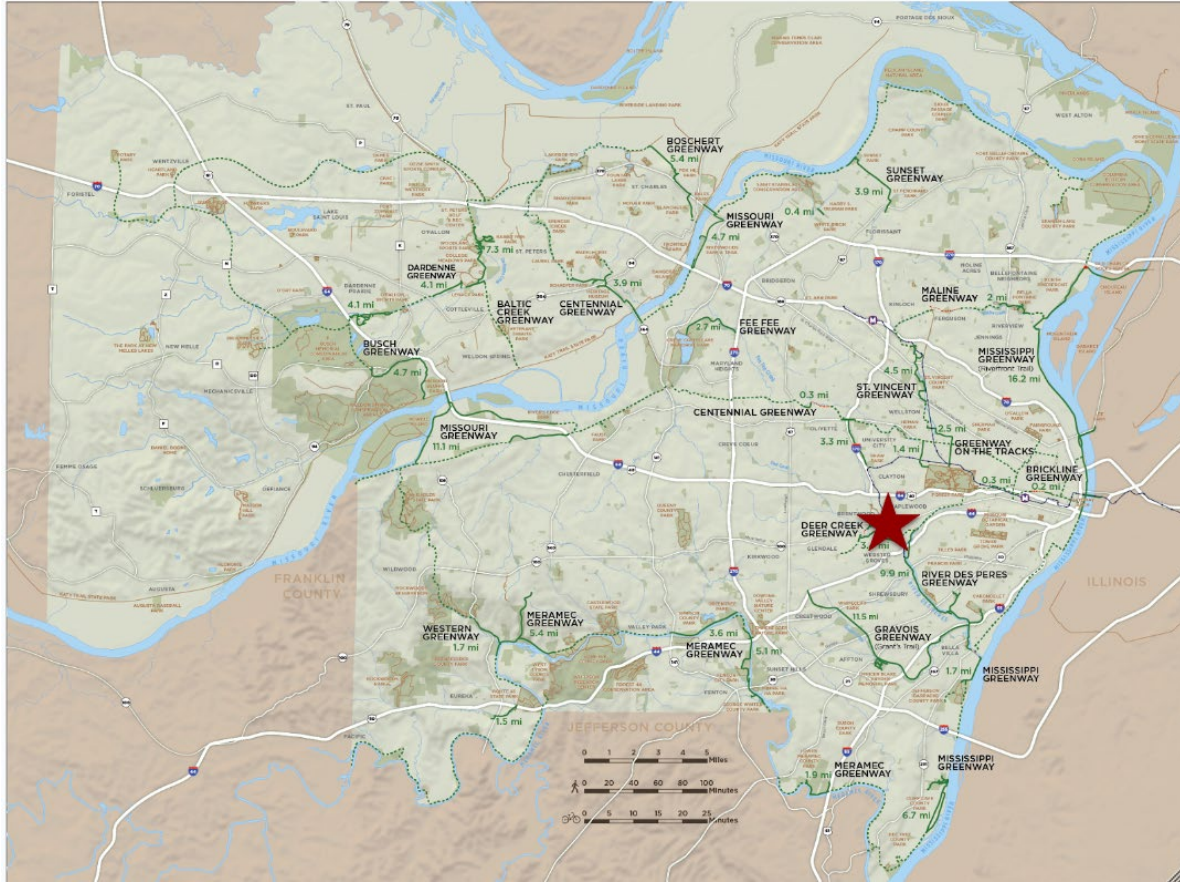
Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2024.59 authorizing the transfer of property located at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd from the City of Maplewood to the City of Webster Groves in connection with Deer Creek Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same.  
- Todd Antoine



**WHERE:**

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
196a	Deer Creek Greenway	Deer Creek Center Park	St. Louis County

**WHO:**

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Todd Antoine	City of Maplewood, Missouri and City of Webster Groves, Missouri	Authorization to transfer GRG property to the City of Webster Groves

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)
N/A	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
Authorization	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

**WHEN:**

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2024	Design	100% Design and Public Bidding

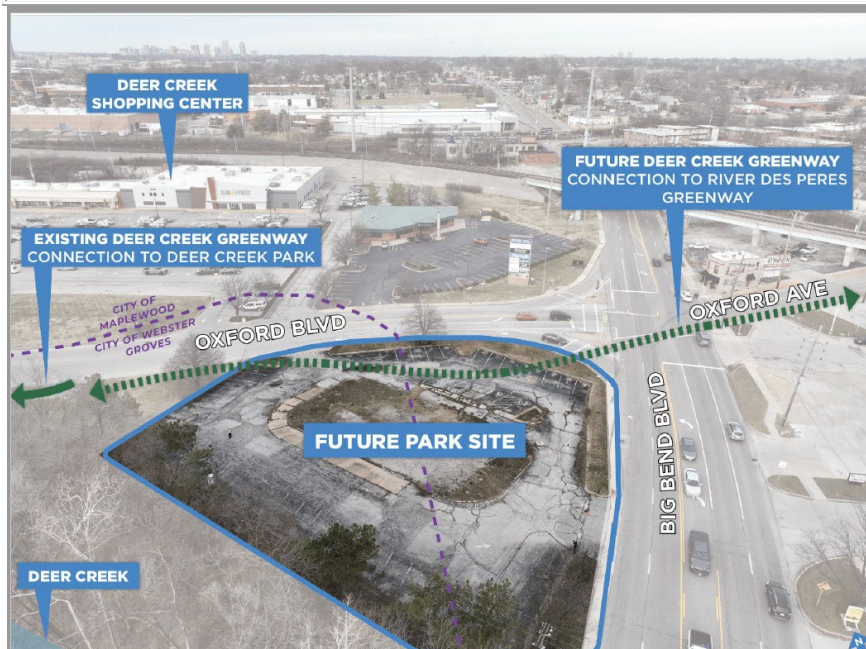
**WHY AND/OR HOW:**

This action is to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to submit an application and letters to the cities of Maplewood and Webster Groves requesting a municipal boundary adjustment on property owned by GRG. The 1.04 acre parcel is located at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd in the Deer Creek Shopping Plaza. This action will allow the City of Webster Groves to initiate the process to adjust the municipal boundary to incorporate the entire parcel which is currently divided between the cities of Maplewood and Webster Groves (see image below).

GRG purchased the parcel in 2019 and has been working with both cities on preliminary design of the parcel into a small park/rest area for greenway users along the Deer Creek Greenway. The City of Webster Groves is providing \$150,000 towards the design and construction of amenities and public art and has agreed to operate and maintain the parcel once the improvements are constructed. As the parcel is divided between both cities, there is agreement among all parties that it would be best to adjust the municipal boundary to place the parcel entirely within the City of Webster Groves. In order to initiate the process, an application and letter from the property owner (GRG) is required to both cities informing them of our desire to adjust the municipal boundary. There will be no charge by the municipalities for this service.

Once the letters are prepared and sent to the cities, the City of Webster Groves will advance the work to adjust the municipal boundary.

A future Construction, Operations and Maintenance Agreement with the City of Webster Groves will be brought to the GRG Board in the coming months as the design of the small park is anticipated to be completed late summer.



**RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:**

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2019.44C	Resolution to Acquire Property at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TRANSFER OF PROPERTY  
LOCATED AT 3635 SOUTH BIG BEND BLVD FROM THE CITY OF  
MAPLEWOOD TO THE CITY OF WEBSTER  
GROVES 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 Deer Creek Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Deer Creek Greenway”);

**WHEREAS**, the District owns property located at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd and desires to transfer the property through a municipal boundary adjustment from the City of Maplewood to the City of Webster Groves as part of park and greenway improvements for 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 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2023.98;

**WHEREAS**, the 2024 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 196A for the Project;

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) submit an application and letters to the cities of Maplewood and Webster Groves requesting a boundary adjustment for property located at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd; 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 June 11, 2024, 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 submit an application and letters to the cities of Maplewood and Webster Groves requesting a boundary adjustment for property located at 3635 South Big Bend Blvd 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 11th day of June, 2024.  
**METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT**  
**D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**



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Monica M. Huddleston, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Powers, Secretary

**Vote:**

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

## **10. 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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## **11. ADJOURNMENT**

### **A. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION**

### **B. ADJOURN**