



Great Rivers Greenway

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

Feb 10 Board of Directors 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

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B. OPEN TIME

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C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

File Attachments

[Jan 13th Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.pdf \(75 KB\)](#)

2. PRESENTATION (S)

A. 25th Anniversary & Survey Results - Emma Klues

B. Internal CM Discussion - Kevin Corwin and Todd Antoine

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. None.

4. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

A. None.

5. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

A. None.

6. REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

A. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

FEBRUARY 2026 CEO REPORT_FINAL.pdf (1,985 KB)

B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED

CEO Executed \$10-50K Contract Report Jan. 2026.pdf

7. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

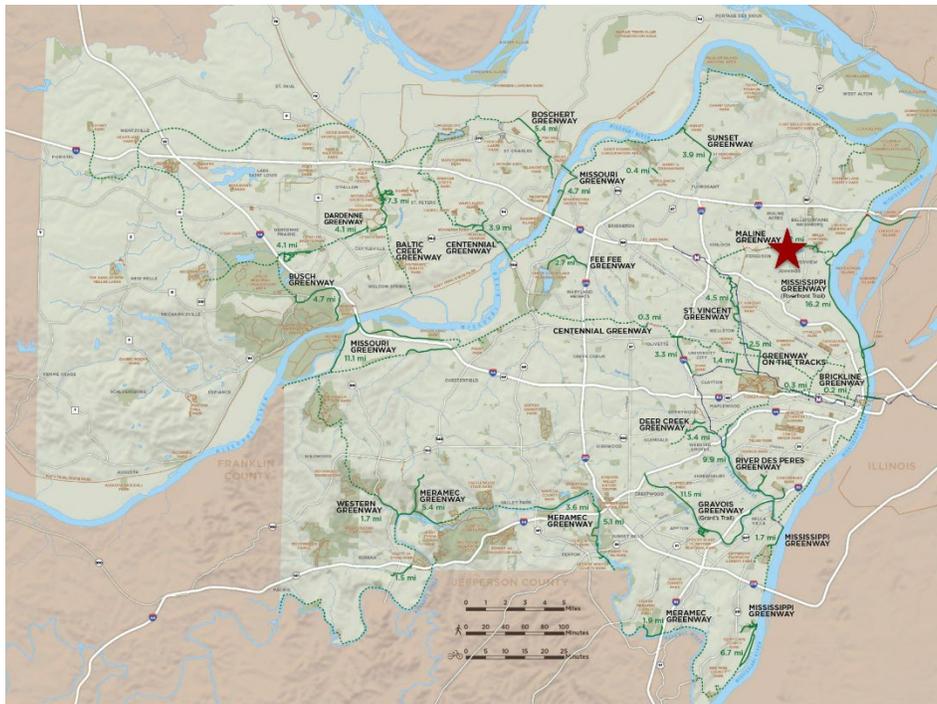
A. None.

8. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - MULTIPLE REVENUE STREAMS

A. None.

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

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.013 approving a Pre-Construction Management Contract not to exceed \$60,055 with M3 Engineering Group, P.C. in connection with the Maline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Kuleya Bruce



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
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296A	Maline	Nolte Ave to Bella Fontaine Park West	St. Louis County
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WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Kuleya Bruce & Tom Schweiss	M3 Engineering Group, P.C.	Construction Management Contract

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED
No	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:
Request for Qualifications	October 2025	N/A	5

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
In October 2025, Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) staff released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for pre-construction and construction management services across multiple greenway projects including three (3) separate projects,

including: Maline Greenway: West Florissant to Nolte (296), Maline Greenway: Nolte to Bella Fontaine Park West (296A), and Hodiamont Greenway: Goodfellow to Belt Ave (288A).

The RFQ was published in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, the St. Louis American newspapers, the GRG website, and was announced via an email to GRG's jobs and bids electronic database. Five (5) responses were received that expressed interest in the services for the advertised projects. A selection committee composed of GRG staff evaluated the proposals. All five (5) firms that applied for the projects were interviewed in November. The selection committee unanimously recommended M3 Engineering Group, PC as the best qualified and capable firm to perform the services outlined in the RFQ for the Maline Greenway: Nolte to Bella Fontaine Park West project (296A).

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract	\$60,055	\$199,485	N/A

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

N/A

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026	60% Design	95% Design

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This Board action is to approve a new contract with M3 Engineering Group, P.C. for pre-construction management services of the Maline Greenway segment from Nolte Ave. to Bella Fontaine Park West, for a sum not to exceed \$60,055.

Please see the prior Board Action for complete background on this project and how it was separated from the overall Maline Greenway: West Florissant to Nolte Avenue segment. The map below highlights this segment with the solid yellow line.

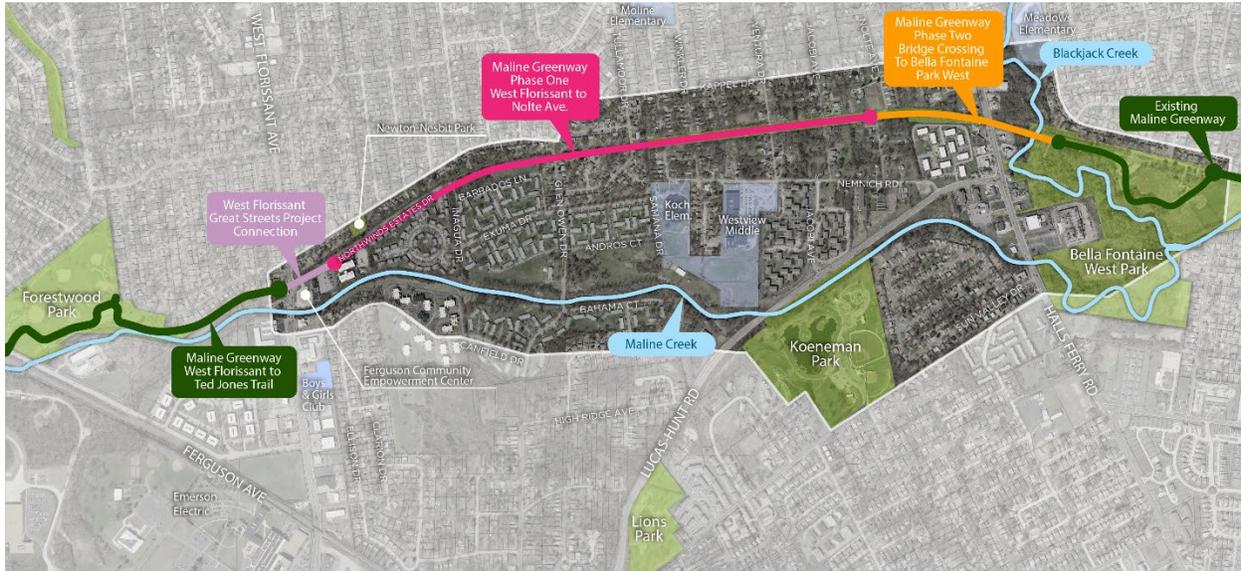
In 2024, the GRG Board authorized Resolution 2024.30 for the Lochmueller Team which included design tasks for both Maline Greenway segments with the bicycle and pedestrian bridge over Halls Ferry Road and Maline Creek to 60% Intermediate Design. That work has been completed and GRG staff desired to get a Construction Management firm on the team to assist Lochmeuller as the design progresses from 60% to 90%.

Given the complex nature of the bridge and coordination with utilities, St. Louis County Parks, Missouri Department of Transportation (Halls Ferry Road) and adjacent private property owners, GRG staff wanted pre-construction management services to assist the Lochmueller Team as the bridge advances in design. Staff released a request for qualifications for Pre-Construction and Construction Management services in October 2025 and five (5) firms submitted their qualifications. Each of the five (5) firms were interviewed and GRG staff selected M3 Engineering Group, P.C. for this project. The firm has extensive experience working on complex engineering projects from design through construction and has expertise that will greatly assist the Lochmueller Team.

M3 Engineering Group, P.C. will work on the following pre-construction management tasks:

- Constructability review of the Lochmueller team's drawings and specifications
- Preliminary evaluation of GRG scope, schedule, and budget for construction
- Provide construction cost estimates based off to the 95%-100% design set
- Provide guidance and recommendations for quality, cost or schedule
- Provide guidance and recommendations for safety, division of responsibilities, risk, and material acquisition
- Assist the design team in the development of bidding documents and bidding process through preparation, evaluation, selection, and contract execution
- Obtain various regulatory or special permits

The not-to-exceed fee is established at \$60,055 for the contract. The 2026 1/10th Capital budget for the (296A) project included \$199,485. It is anticipated that a construction management contract amendment will be brought to the Board for consideration later in 2026 when the project is ready for public bidding.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2021.43	Contract with Woolpert, Inc. for 2011 Maline Concept Plan
2022.48	Contract with Lochmueller Group for Planning Services
2023.82	Approval of Concept Design and Feasibility
2024.30	Contract Amendment with Lochmueller Group for Design Services

RESOLUTION APPROVING A PRE-CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,055 WITH M3 ENGINEERING GROUP, P.C. IN CONNECTION WITH MALINE 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, 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 Maline is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Maline Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by building the Maline Greenway: Nolte Avenue to Bella Fontaine Park West (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 296A for the Project;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District's Procurement Policy, the District issued and advertised a Request for Qualifications for Pre-Construction and Construction Services for or in furtherance of the Project and received five (5) responses;

WHEREAS, M3 Engineering Group P.C. was found to be qualified and whose proposal is in conformance with the requirements of the District Act (the "Proposal");

WHEREAS, the District desires to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to (i) negotiate and enter into a Pre-Construction with M3 Engineering Group P.C., consistent with the Proposal; 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 February 10th, 2026, 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 Pre-Construction Contract with M3 Engineering Group, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$60,055 for the Project.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his 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 February, 2026.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Bernie DuBray, President

ATTEST:

Carol Klein, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

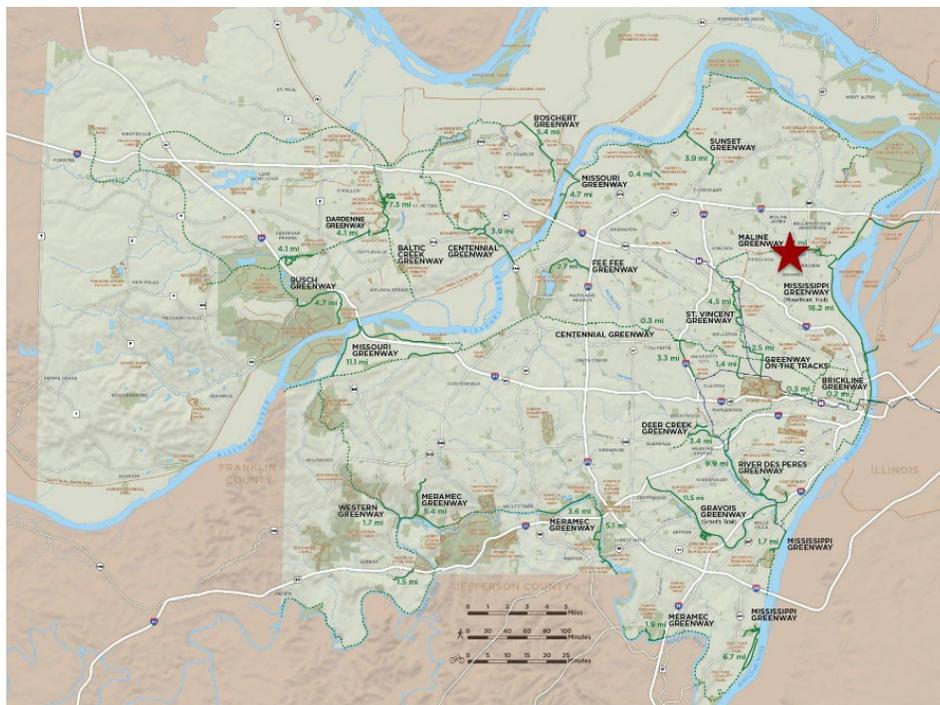
Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

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

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.014 approving a Final Design and Construction Assurance Contract amendment not to exceed \$235,000, subject to future appropriation, with Lochmueller Group, Inc. in connection with the Maline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Kuleya Bruce



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
296	Maline	West Florissant Avenue to Nolte Avenue	St. Louis County; City of Ferguson

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Kuleya Bruce & Tom Schweiss	Lochmueller Group, Inc.	Contract Amendment

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED
No	SWT Design, 6.5% TSi, 1.5%

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:
Vendors List + Invitation to Interview	July 2022	N/A	2 of 4

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
<p>Four (4) teams were invited to interview for this project: Engineering Design Source, Inc. (EDSI), ABNA Engineering, Inc. (ABNA), Lochmueller Group, Inc. (Lochmueller Group), and Oates Associates, Inc.</p> <p>Of the four (4) invited teams, two (2) of the prime consultant firms declined the Invitations to Interview. The remaining two (2) firms interviewed with Great Rivers Greenway staff and a unanimous decision was made to recommend Lochmueller Group, Inc. to lead the planning phase engineering services.</p>

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Amendment	\$235,000	\$1,077,294	Amendment

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

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026, 2027 and 2028	95% Design	Bidding & Award, Construction Assurance

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action requests to authorize the CEO to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with Lochmueller Group, Inc. ("Lochmueller Group") in an amount not to exceed \$235,000, in connection with design phase services for the Maline Greenway: West Florissant Avenue to Bella Fontaine Park West segment.

General Information

In 2010 - 2011, Great Rivers Greenway ("GRG") worked in partnership with its consultant, Woolpert, Inc., and various municipalities of north St. Louis County to study the Maline Creek corridor. The study area covered a 1-mile wide area (1/2-mile on each side of the creek) and ran through portions of the cities of Berkeley, Kinloch, Ferguson, Jennings, Moline Acres, Bellefontaine Neighbors, Riverview, and St. Louis, as well as unincorporated St. Louis County. GRG staff worked with a Citizen Advisory Committee and a Technical Advisory Committee to develop the 2011 Maline Greenway Concept Plan, which now serves as the master planning document that identifies the general alignment for the 8-mile long Maline Greenway.

The completed portion of the Maline Greenway trail runs 2.12 miles from St. Louis County's Bella Fontaine Park West, eastward through Bella Fontaine Park, and ends at St.

Cyr Road near where Maline Creek crosses from Bellefontaine Neighbors into the City of St. Louis. In 2025, GRG will begin constructing a separate 1.6-mile segment between the Ted Jones Trail and West Florissant Avenue in the City of Ferguson. Between these two (2) sections of trail is an approximately 2-mile gap between the City of Ferguson and unincorporated St. Louis County. That gap constitutes project (296) Maline Greenway: West Florissant Avenue to Bella Fontaine Park West.

Project Background

The 2011 Maline Greenway Concept Plan identified a creek-side alignment that would cover this 2-mile gap. Due to severe site constraints such as flooding, floodplain permitting, and environmental safety concerns, an alternative alignment was also identified for planning phase analysis. In August 2022, GRG staff procured a consultant team led by Lochmueller Group and Vector Communications Corporation to begin the process of exploring and analyzing greenway route options along the two (2) main corridors under consideration. The feasibility study process weaved together technical analysis and evaluation with community engagement and input at every step along the way. The team collaborated heavily with St. Louis County and the cities of Ferguson and Jennings, local schools, and the local police departments. Most importantly, a Community Advisory Committee comprised of elected officials, residents, and regional stakeholders helped guide the collection of data and analyze results to ultimately generate a recommended final alignment to be developed further in the design phase.

The Study evaluated potential greenway alignments, trailhead configurations, neighborhood connections, crossing strategies, and integration opportunities with adjacent development projects. Community feedback, risk assessments, cost estimates, utility coordination, environmental impact, and experiential factors were weighed in determining the final recommended greenway alignment (*see the map graphic*). The greenway primarily follows an Ameren-operated aerial utility easement through a strip of land owned by St. Louis County Parks. The proposed trail corridor traverses through mostly publicly owned land and only five (5) privately owned parcels. This provides opportunities for the greenway to create a unique linear park experience for users while directly connecting to seven (7) residential streets in the neighborhood west of Halls Ferry Road. GRG's Planning Committee approved the recommended alignment in November 2023.

Lochmueller Group's team of sub-consultants for the design phase includes the following firms:

-EDSI (topographic and boundary survey, structural design, bridge hydrology, and hydraulics) **MBE**

-SWT (landscape architecture, graphic support)

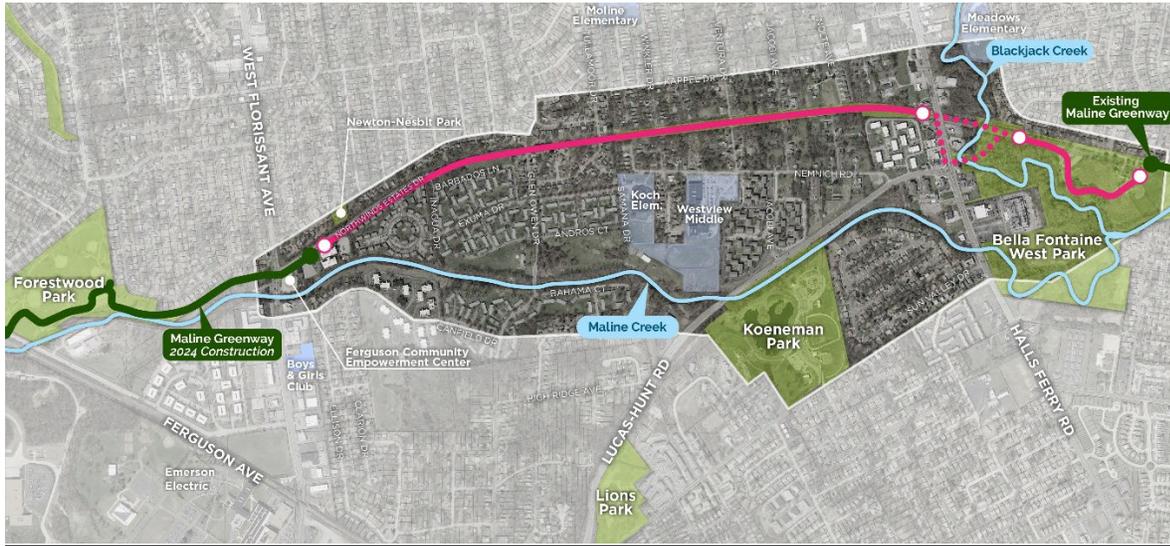
-Tsi (geotechnical engineering and investigations to be carried out in future phases) **WBE**

The Lochmeuller Team completed 30% design for the Trail segment in late 2024. As part of that phase of work, the team evaluated how to make a connection over Halls Ferry Road which is a busy arterial corridor controlled by the Missouri Department of Transportation. Additionally, the connection from Halls Ferry into Bella Fontaine Park West requires a bridge connection over Maline Creek. The map below identifies that area from Halls Ferry to the Park with the dotted lines. After careful review and coordination with GRG and partners, the Team recommended bridges that would cross over Halls Ferry Road and also Maline Creek into the Park. During 2024, while the trail was designed to 30%, the bridges were not designed beyond conceptual design in order to determine feasibility.

In coordination with GRG's design phase template scope of work, the proposed scope includes the following tasks for completion in 2026, 2027, & 2028:

- - Community Engagement Support
- - Assistance with CMAQ application Submittal in February 2026
- - Geotechnical investigation, clearing, and borings
- - Utility Coordination and Permitting
- - Culvert Replacement Design
- - Development of Bidding Package & Assistance in evaluating Bids for contract negotiations
- - Pre-construction and Construction Assurance Services through closeout

For this phase of design services, Lochmueller Group has developed a fee proposal for \$235,000. The 2026 budget for the (296) project includes \$1,077,294 in GRG 3/16th funds, and contract expenditures within 2026 are projected to remain within the available budget. The 2027 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget will include the forecasted funds to complete any remaining contract scope during the construction phase. Therefore, GRG desires to authorize the contract amendment with Lochmueller Group and utilize funding from the current 2026 fiscal year.



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A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$235,000, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH LOCHMUELLER GROUP, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH MALINE 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”);

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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 Maline Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Maline Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by building the Maline Greenway between West Florissant Avenue to Nolte Avenue (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 2026 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget included line item 296 for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 and 2028 GRG 3/16 Capital Budgets will include line item 296 for the Project, subject to the approval by the Board of Directors of the District (the “Board”);

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2024.30, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Lochmueller Group, Inc. for professional design services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with Lochmueller Group, Inc.;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with Lochmueller Group, Inc. in order to amend the scope, 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 Lochmueller Group, 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 February 10, 2026, 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 Lochmueller Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$235,000, subject to future appropriation.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his 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 February, 2026.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Bernie DuBray, President

ATTEST:

Carol Klein, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

11. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - CAR 3/16TH REVENUE STREAM

A. None.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.001 amending the 2002 DBE Policy and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - MICHELLE BOCK

WHY AND/OR HOW:

In 2002, the Board of Directors adopted a contracting policy establishing minority participation goals for District contracts. As a result of changes in the federal landscape and implications to federally funded projects, Husch Blackwell was asked to research recent Executive Orders and Department of Justice guidance in order to provide recommendations for changes to District policies and/or practices that would align with current guidance. The

primary recommendation is that the Board update and amend its 2002 DBE Policy to reflect its commitment to equal opportunity for all businesses, including Minority Business Enterprises (MBE) and Women Business Enterprises (WBE) along with all other businesses to participate in District contracts without discrimination on any basis. The District will not establish or enforce numerical participation goals but may track such information, post contract award, for purposes of awareness. Where federal funding applies, the District will comply with applicable federal and state laws, rules, regulations and requirements.

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE 2002 DBE POLICY 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, the District previously adopted a Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (“DBE”) Utilization Program;

WHEREAS, the District wishes to amend the DBE Policy to align with current federal interpretation of anti-discrimination laws;

WHEREAS, the District’s proposed revised DBE Policy has been reviewed by District staff and has been presented to the Board at its February 10, 2026 meeting;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) adopt the proposed revised DBE, MBE/WBE Policies and (ii) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to 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 February 10, 2026 at the District Offices at 3745 Foundry Way, Ste 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 hereby adopts the revised DBE, MBE/WBE Policies.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or his 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 February, 2026.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Bernie DuBray, President

ATTEST:

Carol Klein, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

13. 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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14. ADJOURNMENT

A. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

B. ADJOURN