



Tuesday, April 14, 2026

April 14th 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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C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

TO APPROVE THE AGENDA

D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES

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2. PRESENTATION (S)

A. Brickline Greenway 2026 Updates - Michael Steinlage

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

[APRIL 2026 GRG CEO REPORT FINAL.pdf \(4,469 KB\)](#)

B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED

[CEO Executed \\$10-50k Contract Report Mar 2026.pdf \(4,118 KB\)](#)

7. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

A. None.

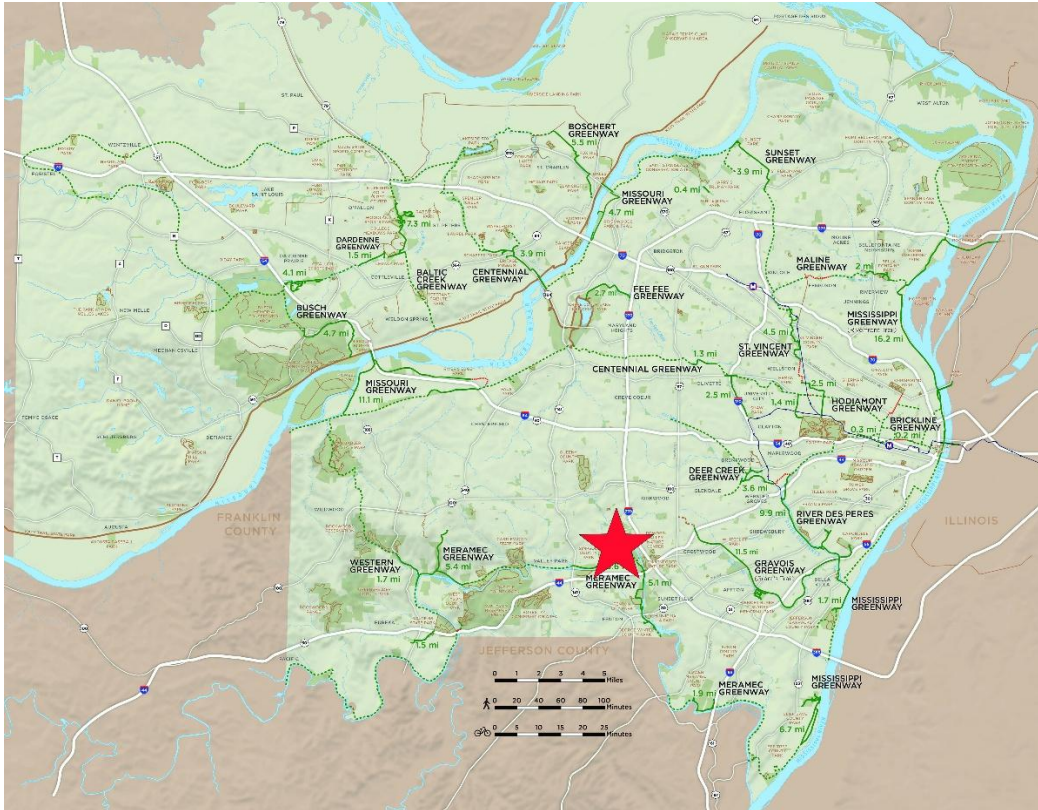
8. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - MULTIPLE REVENUE STREAMS

A. None.

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

A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.021 approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$342,000, subject to future appropriation, with DG2 Design, LLC in connection

with the Meramec Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Brian Stith



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
247A	Meramec Greenway	Unger Park Realignment	St. Louis County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Brian Stith	DG2 Design, LLC	Contract Amendment

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	3

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
This is a contract amendment from a procurement process in 2022 that selected DG2 Design, LLC.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract Amendment	\$342,000	\$310,000	

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

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
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2026 and 2027	100% Design	Bidding and Construction
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WHY AND/OR HOW:

This board action is to approve a contract amendment for \$342,000, subject to future appropriation, with DG2 Design, LLC, to include bidding, pre-construction and construction administration services for the Meramec Greenway segment in Unger County Park in St. Louis County.

BACKGROUND

This project includes the Meramec Greenway segment in Unger County Park, which has experienced extensive flooding damage. This project develops a trail alignment that relocates the existing trail to avoid repeated flood damage. DG2 Design, LLC completed a planning study that the GRG Board authorized under Resolution 2022.51, approving a contract not to exceed \$206,140 (Original Contract), which shifts the trail alignment within Unger County Park and identifies recommended improvements and a new greenway trail that will benefit greenway and park users by connecting to the I-44 Meramec River Bike and Pedestrian Bridge and the greenway south to the City of Fenton.

In September 2023, the Board authorized Resolution 2023.70 approving a contract amendment with DG2 Design, LLC to complete 100% design of the project. Since 2023, the design team has been working with GRG and St. Louis County Parks to develop and finalize design plans which are currently at 95% complete and under permit review with St. Louis County and other permitting agencies. The current cost estimate prepared by GRG's Construction Manager is \$5.3 million which features new trail alignment within the park, a new trail head parking lot, an improved spillway for Unger Lake and options for overlooks with views of the Meramec River. The project is anticipated to be released for construction bids in June 2026.

BOARD ACTION

This amendment will allow for construction administration services including but not limited to the following services:

- Assist with Bid Preparation and prepare responses to pre-bid questions and addenda.
- Attend construction meetings conducted by the Construction Manager (CM) for the project.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2022.51	Approve an amendment to the GRG 1/10th Capital Budget and a contract not to exceed \$206,140 with DG2 Design, LLC in connection with the Meramec Greenway
2023.70	Approve an amendment to the GRG 1/10th Capital Budget and a contract not to exceed \$938,000 with DG2 Design, LLC in connection with the Meramec Greenway
2025.117	Approve an amendment to the GRG 1/10th Capital budget and a contract not to exceed \$978,200 with Kozeny-Wagner, Inc. in connection with the Meramec Greenway

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$342,000, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH DG2 DESIGN, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH THE 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 improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by constructing the Meramec Greenway in Unger County Park (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 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 247A for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2022.51, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with DG2 Design, LLC for planning services in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with DG2 Design, LLC;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with DG2 Design, LLC 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 DG2 Design, 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 April 14, 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 DG2 Design, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$342,000, subject to future appropriation, for the project.

2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or 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 14th day of April, 2026.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Bernie DuBray, President

ATTEST:

Carol Klein, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

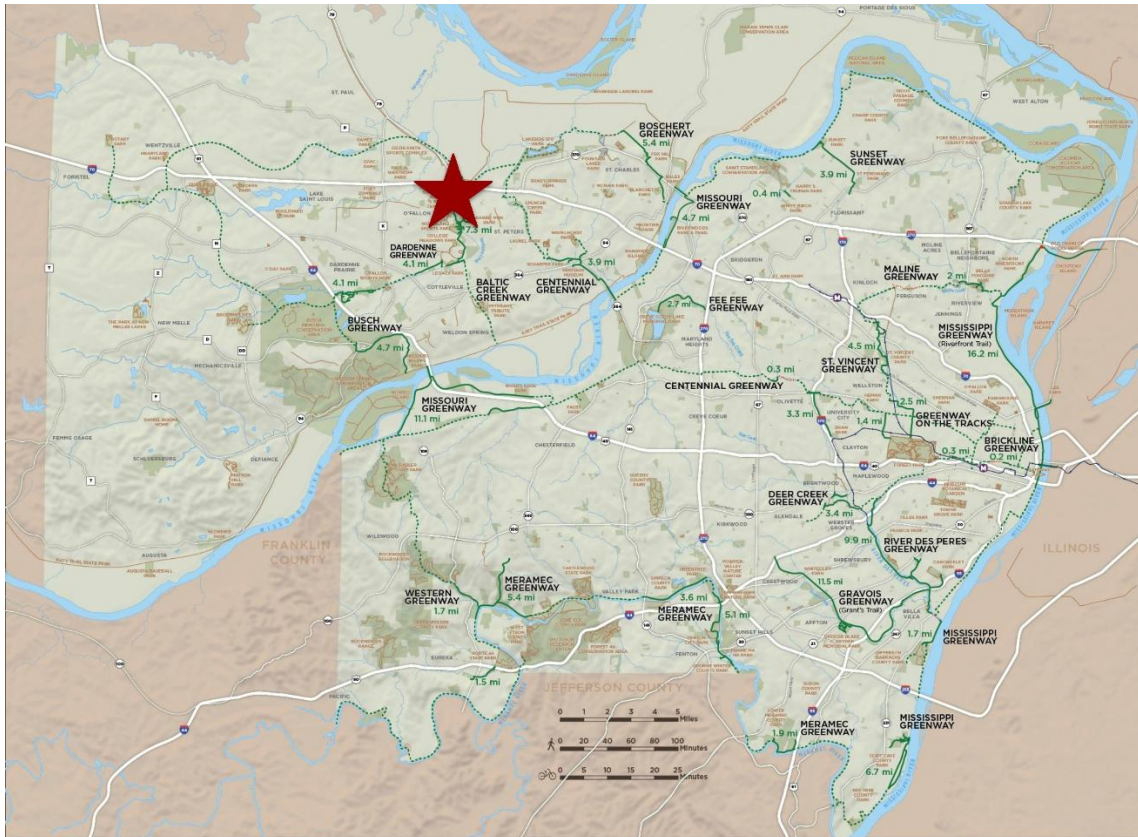
Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.022 approving a Construction Contract not to exceed \$5,854,054, subject to future appropriation, with Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. in connection with Dardenne Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
231A	Dardenne Greenway	Mexico Road to Dardenne Park	City of St. Peters, St. Charles County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Tom Schweiss	Ideal Landscape Management, Inc.	Construction Contract

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)
No

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED
Pace Construction - 17%
Permatrak Concrete Boardwalk Systems - 12%
Empire Fence - 8%
Imperial Metal Company - 5%
John J. Rufkahr Jr. Concrete Co. - 4%
Midwest Municipal Supply - .29%
Meyer Electric Co., Inc. - .35%
Image Manufacturing Group - .32%
Nu Way Concrete Forms - .18%
Metron Surveying - .2%
Ford Asphalt - .5%
Penn Services - .75%
PLS Plumbing - .15%
Tramar Contracting - .15%
Ozark Building Materials - .7%

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED

Streetlife USA - .19%

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:
Bid	February/March 2026	N/A	3

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

This project was advertised for public bid as Federal Project Number TAP-9900(155) GRG Bid Number 2026-003-231A Dardenne Greenway: Mexico Road to Dardenne Park on February 5, 2026. A public Pre-Bid Meeting was conducted on February 19th for prospective bidders. Bids were opened on March 19th, 2026. Three (3) bids were received for the project. Bid results are shown below.

Bid Results

RV Wagner, Inc. - \$7,070,243.07

Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. - \$5,321,868.00

Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. - \$6,248,286.20

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract	\$5,854,054	\$4,084,026	231A - 2026 Capital Budget

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) Grant: \$1,500,000

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026	Bidding	Construction

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This Board Action requests to authorize the CEO to enter into a Construction Contract with Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. ("Ideal") in connection with Dardenne Greenway: Mexico Road to Dardenne Park (231A) in the City of St. Peters, Missouri.

Project Background

In cooperation with the City of St. Peters, Dardenne Greenway: Mexico Road to Dardenne Park (231A) seeks to improve the existing trail north of Mexico Road to Dardenne Park. This greenway segment was originally identified in the Dardenne Greenway Master Plan in 2008 and subsequently ranked as a high community priority during the 2019-2020 St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan. This .48 mile greenway segment will include safety and accessibility improvements, a 250-ft prefabricated bridge spanning Dardenne Creek, 950-ft of elevated boardwalk to mitigate potential flood impacts, and native plantings to improve habitat along Dardenne Creek. This project is partially funded by a federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant funded at \$1,500,000. The next phase of Dardenne Greenway in St. Peters will connect Dardenne Park to Water's Edge Banquet Facility.

Details on this Action

The design team composed of HR Green, Inc. and DG2 Design, LLC completed the project plans, specifications, and estimates for this project in December 2025. These documents were reviewed by Missouri Department of Transportation ("MoDOT") and Great Rivers Greenway ("GRG") received Authority to Advertise on February 4th, 2026. The project was advertised for public bid on February 5th. A public Pre-Bid Meeting was conducted on February 19th for prospective bidders. Bids for the project were opened on March 19th, 2026. Three (3) bids were received for the project. Bid results are shown below.

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Great River Engineering ("GRE"), our Construction Manager on the project, analyzed all bids received and recommends awarding the construction contract to Ideal as the lowest and best-qualified bidder. This project is receiving federal grant funds through the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) therefore all requirements, considerations and procedures for advertising, opening and evaluating bids, and awarding a federal-aid contract as described in MoDOT's Engineering Policy Guide (EPG) for Local

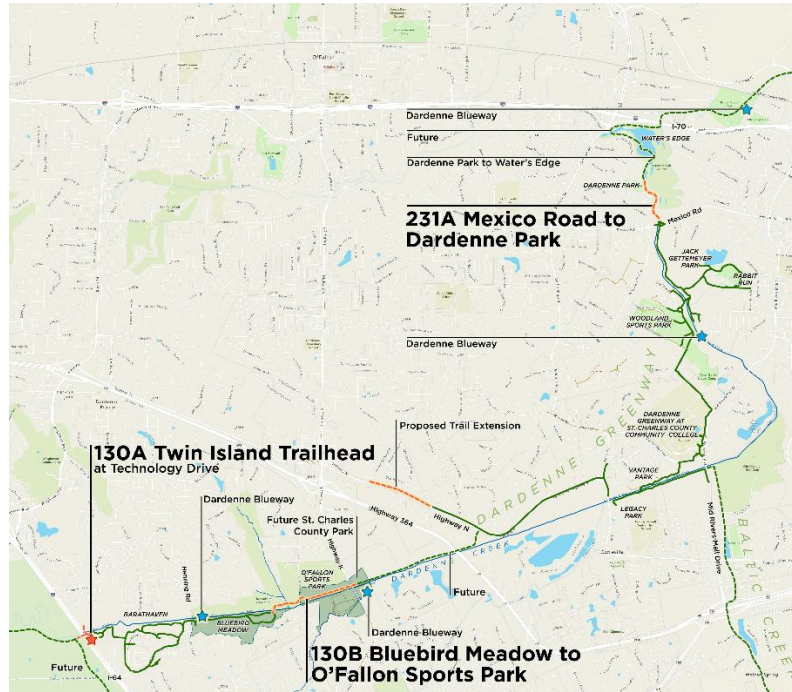
Public Agencies applies. All bidders must be on MoDOT's Qualified Prime Contractor List per Section 102.2 from the current version of the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, including all revisions. Ideal conformed to all requirements and has provided all needed documentation to date, including being on MoDOT's Qualified Prime Contractor List. The most recent estimate of probable cost compiled by GRE in January 2026 estimated the project at \$6,358,581.97. Ideal's base bid is under this estimate, keeping this project within budget. In addition to Ideal's bid, GRG staff are seeking 10% in contingency funding for this project.

Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. Base Bid - \$5,321,868.00

Contingency Funding (10%) - \$532,186

Total Requested Amount - \$5,854,054

Construction costs are budgeted to span fiscal years 2026 and 2027. All contract expenditures in 2026 are expected to remain within the approved 2026 1/10th Capital Budget. The 2027 1/10 Capital Budget will include funds for the remaining efforts and is subject to Board approval.





RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2021.56	Approval of Contract with HR Green for Dardenne Greenway: Mexico Road to I-70 Alignment Study
2022.48	Approval of St. Charles County Greenway Plan

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2024.50	Approval of a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Grant Application to the East-West Gateway Council of Governments for \$1,500,000
2024.48	Approval of a Program Agreement with Missouri Department of Transportation for \$1,500,000
2025.49	Approval of a Contract Amendment with HR Green for Dardenne Greenway (231A)
2025.122	Approval of a Construction Management Contract with Great River Associates, Inc.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$5,854,054, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH IDEAL LANDSCAPE MANAGEMENT, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH DARDENNE 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 Dardenne Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Dardenne Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by constructing the Dardenne Greenway in the City of St. Peters, MO (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 231A for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District’s Procurement Policy and Section 67.1769 of the District Act, the District issued and advertised a Request for Bids for or in furtherance of the Project and received three (3) responses;

WHEREAS, Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. was found to be qualified and whose bid is in conformance with Section 67.1769 of the District Act (the “Bid”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Bid; (ii) negotiate and enter into a contract with Ideal Landscape Management, 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 April 14, 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 approve and accept the Bid.

2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Ideal Landscape Management, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$5,854,054, subject to future appropriation, for the Project.
3. 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.
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 14th day of April, 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:

C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.023 approving a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement not to exceed \$275,000, subject to future appropriation, with the City of O'Fallon, MO in connection with Dardenne Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mark Vogl



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
130A	Dardenne Greenway	Twin Island Trailhead	St. Charles County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Mark Vogl	City of O'Fallon, MO	Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement for Construction, Operations and Maintenance

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 Contract	\$275,000	\$200,863	n/a

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
The City of O'Fallon was awarded \$660,000 in federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funding for trail and trailhead construction, and Missouri Department

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES

of Transportation (MoDOT) reconstructed the Technology Drive bridge over Dardenne Creek with striped bicycle lanes and a barrier protected shared use path for greenway connectivity.

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026	Construction	Completion
2027		

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action will allow Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) to enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O'Fallon, Missouri (O'Fallon) for Construction, Operations and Maintenance of the Dardenne Greenway project constructing the Twin Island Trailhead (the Trailhead), as well as for GRG's financial contribution toward the project.

Background

This project is building a new Trailhead at Technology Drive to serve the Dardenne Greenway. Beginning in 2021, the City of O'Fallon approached GRG about the idea of building a new trailhead at the western end of the BaratHaven development using property owned by GRG. Continued population growth in the area and the addition of connector trails built by O'Fallon from the WingHaven development and on-street bicycle facilities along Technology Drive provided an opportunity to partner together to provide better access to the popular amenities around BaratHaven and Bluebird Meadow.

In 2021, O'Fallon was awarded a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant of \$660,000 for construction of the Trailhead in 2023 that would include a bicycle-pedestrian bridge over Dardenne Creek. However, after initial engineering identified numerous technical problems with existing structures in the floodway and complications of constructing a new bicycle-pedestrian bridge, the project was put on-hold so that GRG and O'Fallon could collaborate with the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and the US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) to find a solution. MoDOT proposed a delay

to the 2023 Trailhead construction and a new plan that would call for replacing the aging Technology Drive Bridge (a MoDOT structure) with a new vehicular bridge, with dual-direction bicycle lanes, as well as a barrier-protected shared use path on one side of the bridge. This solution made the freestanding bicycle-pedestrian bridge unnecessary, but it also delayed the project by 2 years, and the projected costs of the Trailhead have escalated since 2021. With the addition of MoDOT to the partnership, it leverages funding and constructs the improvements as part of the vehicular bridge. Additionally, MoDOT agreed to bid the bridge and trailhead as one construction project which provided cost efficiencies for the overall project. GRG and O'Fallon staff have been engaged on the design and construction of the overall project with MoDOT and this action is to formalize GRG's financial participation on the trailhead improvements which was envisioned back in 2021. The GRG Board of Directors approved Resolution 2022.16, which authorized a Cooperation Agreement with O'Fallon for GRG to provide funding for the design costs of the trailhead along with a future agreement related to the construction.

Details on this Action

MoDOT is currently nearing completion of the new Technology Drive Bridge with its barrier-protected shared path. Work has begun on the Trailhead, and the project is expected to be open for public use later this summer or fall. Trailhead amenities include native landscaping, vehicular parking, a bicycle repair station, a greenway connection to the existing Dardenne Greenway at BaratHaven, a path under I-64 for a future Busch Greenway connection to the Katy Trail State Park, and GRG signage and branding under each of the three bridge spans (I-64 eastbound, I-64 westbound and Technology Drive). The "Dardenne Greenway" branding is designed and located to offer high visibility to users of the greenway, Dardenne Blueway and travelers along I-64 and Technology Drive.

The breakdown of the total costs for the Technology Drive Bridge and the trailhead are as follows:

Total Projects Cost: \$4,337,000

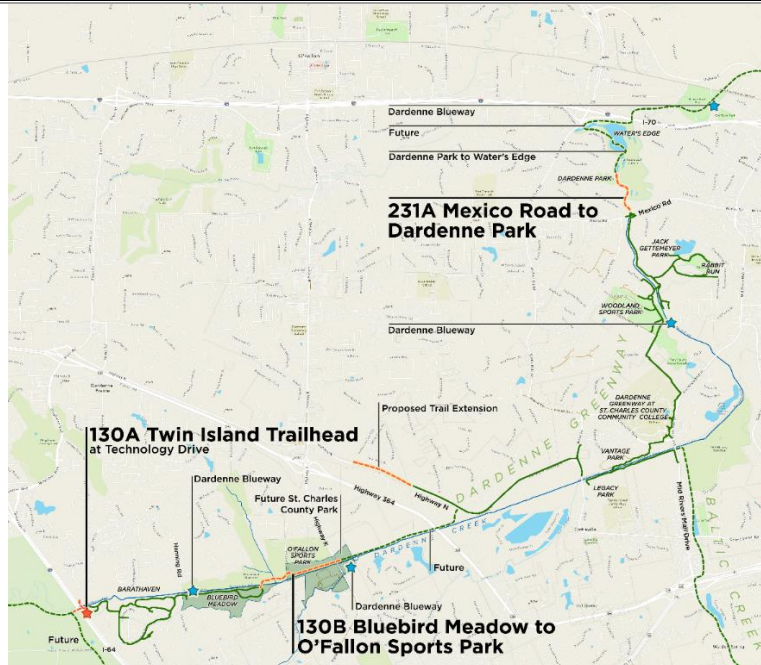
Sources:

MoDOT	\$3,060,000
O'Fallon TAP Grant:	\$660,000
O'Fallon:	\$342,000
GRG:	\$275,000

Upon completion, O'Fallon will operate and maintain the trailhead, thus requiring the Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement for the Construction, Operation and

Maintenance of the project. The GRG 1/10 Capital Budget for #130A has \$200,863 for 2026. The remaining balance of funds will be provided within the 2027 Capital Budget for Board consideration later this year. Any invoices from O'Fallon will stay within the available 2026 project funds.

GRG staff recommends reimbursing these project costs in an amount not-to-exceed \$275,000 and subject to this Construction, Operation and Maintenance agreement with O'Fallon.





RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2006.19	Approval of a Contract with SWT Design for the Dardenne Greenway Conceptual Plan
2008.67	Approval of the Dardenne Greenway Concept Plan
2018.117	Approval of an Cooperation Agreement with St. Charles County project partners for a county-wide greenway master plan
2019.15	Approval of a Contract with Planning Design Studio for the St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan
2021.02	Adoption of the St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan
2022.16	Approval of a Cooperation Agreement with the City of O'Fallon for Designing a trailhead in Dardenne Greenway

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COOPERATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$275,000, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH THE CITY OF O'FALLON, MO IN CONNECTION WITH DARDENNE 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 Dardenne Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Dardenne Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by constructing the Twin Island Trailhead (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 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 130A for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O’Fallon, MO in order to provide for the Project’s construction, operations and maintenance;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O'Fallon, MO for the Project; 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 April 14, 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 Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O'Fallon, MO in an amount not to exceed \$275,000, subject to future appropriation, for the Project.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or 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 14th day of April, 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:

D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.024 approving a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement not to exceed \$1,400,000, subject to future appropriation, with the City of O'Fallon, MO in connection with Dardenne Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mark Vogl



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
130B	Dardenne Greenway	Bluebird to Sports Park	St. Charles County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Mark Vogl	City of O'Fallon, MO	Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement for Construction, Operations and Maintenance

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)
No

PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED
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 Contract	\$1,400,000	\$381,651	n/a

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
City of O'Fallon awarded \$900,000 federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant for greenway and trail construction

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026		
2027	Construction	Completion
2028		

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This action will allow Great Rivers Greenway (GRG) to enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O'Fallon, Missouri (O'Fallon) for Construction, Operations and Maintenance of the Dardenne Greenway project connecting Bluebird Meadow (Bluebird) with O'Fallon Sports Park (Sports Park), as well as for GRG's financial contribution toward the project.

Background

This project will create a greenway connection between Bluebird and Sports Park in the cities of Dardenne Prairie and O'Fallon. Existing Dardenne Greenway trails within the BaratHaven subdivision and Bluebird Meadow have been very popular for over a decade but have been isolated from the rest of Dardenne Greenway in the cities of Cottleville and St. Peters. During the 2021 St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan process, county residents identified this connection as a high priority. In spring 2024, O'Fallon, with the support of GRG, was awarded a Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) grant of \$900,000 for construction of the greenway in 2026-28. Later in 2024, GRG entered into a cooperation agreement with O'Fallon to support the design of this greenway segment. GRG and O'Fallon staff participated in the consultant selection for design services and selected Intuition and Logic Engineering, Inc. The design plans are currently at 60% complete with O'Fallon securing the necessary right of way needed for the project.

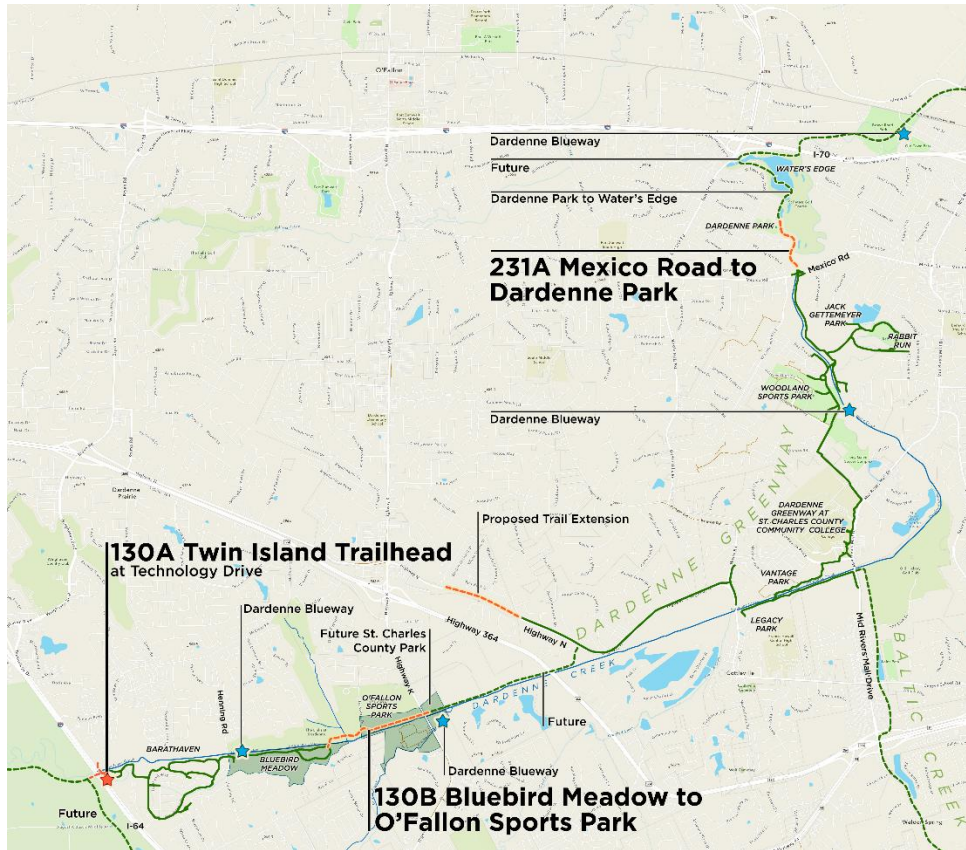
Details on this Action

Plans for the project feature a 12-foot-wide trail, extending approximately 1.1 miles from the existing loop trail in Bluebird Meadow to the existing Highway K shared use path, east of O'Fallon Sports Park. This greenway extension will require two (2) pedestrian bridges over Dardenne Creek and its tributary and coordination with two (2) private properties, as

well as coordination with St. Charles County, Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT) and compliance with MoDOT's Local Public Agency (LPA) policy.

Construction is scheduled to begin this fall and is expected to take approximately 12-15 months. Current estimates are for construction to cost approximately \$3.7 million. After accounting for the federal share of \$900,000, the local need is estimated at \$2.8 million. GRG staff recommends reimbursing 50% of the local-share project construction costs, in an amount not-to-exceed \$1.4 million, and subject to this Construction, Operation and Maintenance agreement with O'Fallon. GRG and O'Fallon will work in collaboration to meet the construction budget of \$3.7 million, but if construction bids exceed the budget, staff will look to reduce scope and/or bring an amendment to the Board for consideration for additional cost share. O'Fallon is performing the Construction Management services for this project, and GRG will be involved in any construction related decisions.

The 2026 Capital Budget for this project has \$381,651 available towards construction costs. A majority of the constructions costs will be in 2027 and early 2028 (depending on when a construction notice to proceed is given) and staff will include the funds within the 2027 and possibly 2028 Capital Budgets for Board consideration. Any 2026 costs that O'Fallon invoices to GRG will remain within the 2026 budget available.



Dardenne Greenway: Sports Park to Bluebird Meadow Park



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
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2008.67	Approval of the Dardenne Greenway Concept Plan
2018.117	Approval of an Cooperation Agreement with St. Charles County project partners for a county-wide greenway master plan
2019.15	Approval of a Contract with Planning Design Studio for the St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan
2021.02	Adoption of the St. Charles County Greenway Master Plan
2024.70	Approval of a Cooperation Agreement with the City of O'Fallon for Designing the Dardenne Greenway

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COOPERATION AND REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,400,000, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH THE CITY OF O'FALLON, MO IN CONNECTION WITH DARDENNE 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 Dardenne Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Dardenne Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by constructing the Bluebird to Sports Park connection (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 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 130B for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 and 2028 GRG 1/10 Capital Budgets will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O’Fallon, MO in order to provide for the Dardenne Greenway’s construction, operation and maintenance;

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and enter into a Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O’Fallon, MO; 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 April 14, 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 Cooperation and Reimbursement Agreement with the City of O'Fallon, MO in an amount not to exceed \$1,400,000, subject to future appropriation, for the Project.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer or 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 14th day of April, 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:

E. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.025 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$192,240, subject to future appropriation, with Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. in connection with Greenway Metrics and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Mara Perry

WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
007	All Greenways	N/A	St. Louis City, St. Louis County, St. Charles County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Mara Perry	Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. (UD4H)	Contract Amendment

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of Contract Amendment	\$192,240	\$236,000	

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

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026 2027 2028	Advancement and Application of Greenway Model	Phase II Completion

WHY AND/OR HOW:

<p>This action is to approve a contract amendment for Greenway Metrics with Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. (UD4H) to assist GRG in its efforts to measure the health impacts of greenway users and communities along the greenway network.</p> <p>Background</p> <p>One of the initiatives from the 2010 Regional Plan Update was to measure the impact of the interconnected system of greenways, trails and parks. The goal was to provide clear, credible evidence of the values of the greenways, trails and parks throughout the District. The Plan recommended the development of easy to read and comprehend memos, reports and fact sheets that could be used for potential grant applications, future studies and outreach on the benefits to residents and partners. These documents were to be</p>

shared with trail enthusiasts, residents, business and community leaders and public officials to inform them of the benefits of the District to the St. Louis region's quality of life.

Since 2010, GRG has made significant progress toward enhancing its Geographic Information System (GIS) capabilities and mapping greenway metric data for multiple measurable outcomes. Staff has been working with a team on economic, environmental and social benefits which resulted in a presentation to the GRG Planning Committee and Board in 2023 and in 2024. Staff identified a need to address health impacts, access (or lack thereof) and how greenways may provide health benefits to greenway users and communities. In fall 2024, staff released a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) which sought out consultants who are experts on researching health and economic measures. One (1) submittal was received and evaluated by staff which found the firm to be capable and highly experienced in working with cities, counties and other public health agencies on measuring health benefits using public infrastructure such as parks, trails, greenways and active transportation infrastructure like on-street bicycle lanes. Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. (UD4H) is a five (5) person firm based in Rochester, NY. The firm consists of research scientists and geo-spatial data scientists who work with communities around the country and Canada.

UD4H has over 25 years of national experience providing clients with advanced analytical methods to assess and convey travel, health, and environmental benefits of active transportation such as greenways and on-street bicycle lanes. The firm provides assessments of health and economic impacts of active transportation infrastructure investments and creates decision support tools to elevate health within planning decisions. UD4H uses a National Public Health Assessment Model (N-PHAM) which has already been applied in twelve (12) regions in the U.S. and Canada with over 70 completed projects.

In 2025, GRG engaged UD4H to assess health, economic and access (or lack thereof) of the greenway network. The RFQ was for a three (3) year period lasting until December 2028, which will involve GRG staff bringing an annual contract to the Board each year thereof. Additionally, staff will include UD4H in the overall greenway metrics team. In 2025, UD4H gathered data, modeled a new GRG-PHAM, analyzed the data using the model and created a report about the findings. The GRG-PHAM tool will allow GRG to compare its return on investment (ROI) across a range of different scenarios and between different project locations in the region. Health benefits of the greenways can be identified that could reduce health care costs and provide economic benefits to the

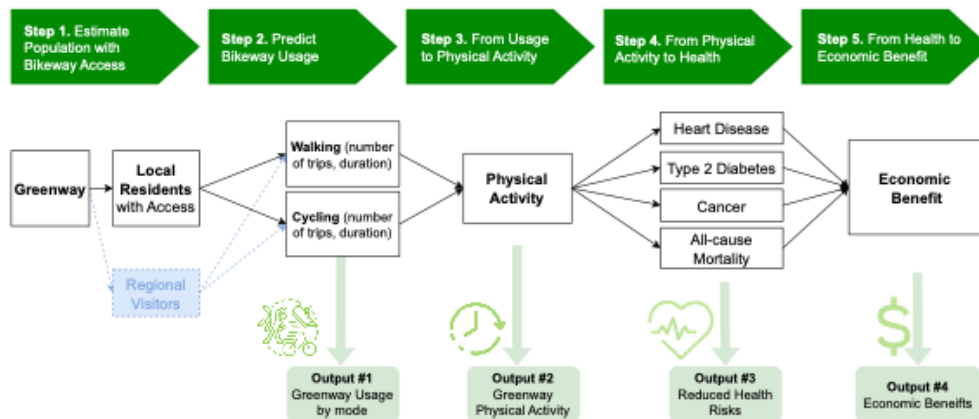
communities they serve. GRG staff have been very pleased with the deliverables that UD4H has produced and are satisfied with the work the team has completed so far.

UD4H has submitted a scope and fee of \$192,240 for 2026 which includes the following tasks:

- Capturing Indirect Health Related Economic Benefits of Greenways
- Document Historic Health and Economic Benefits of GRG Investments
- Applying G-PHAM's Health and Economic Metrics Going Forward
- Proposed Design: Data, Weighting Function, and Web-Based Data for GRG's Metrics Team

The UD4H Team is expected to complete this phase of work by the end of the year.

GRG demand, physical activity, health, and economic models



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2025.24	Resolution 2025.24 approving a contract not to exceed \$203,750 with Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. in connection with Greenway Metrics and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same.

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT AMENDMENT NOT TO EXCEED \$192,240, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH URBAN DESIGN 4 HEALTH, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH GREENWAY METRICS 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, all Greenways are shown as a part of the 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 measuring the impact of greenways on various metrics (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136;

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 007 Regional Metrics for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 and 2028 GRG 1/10 Capital Budgets will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution 2025.24, the District authorized the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Urban Design 4 Health, Inc. (UD4H) for

measuring the impacts on greenways with various metrics in furtherance of the Project, and the District subsequently entered into a contract with UD4H;

WHEREAS, the District desires to enter into a contract amendment with UD4H in order to amend the scope of work 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 UD4H; 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 April 14, 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 UD4H in an amount not to exceed \$192,240, subject to future appropriation, 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 14th day of April, 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:

F. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.026 approving a Design Contract not to exceed \$93,724 with DG2 Design, LLC., subject to future appropriation, in connection with Meramec Greenway Signage Replacement and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Will Rein



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
732J	Meramec Greenway	Arnold's Grove to Greentree Park and Lower Meramec Park	Valley Park, Kirkwood, St. Louis County Parks

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Will Rein	DG2 Design, LLC	Design Contract

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT

No	Trekk, 31%
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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's List	February 2026	N/A	3

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
Three firms were interviewed. DG2 Design, SWT Design, and Arcturis. While all three could perform this scope of work, DG2 has extensive experience working along the entire Meramec Greenway corridor and in many cases has already worked with many of the Partners and Stakeholders. For that reason, DG2 was selected for this work.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of a Design Contract	\$93,724	\$167,437	GRG 1/10th

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

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026	Design Development	Construction Documents

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This project will replace original wayfinding and interpretive signage (circa 2010) along two geographically distinct segments of the Meramec Greenway. The first segment extends from the Valley Park/Kirkwood area, beginning at Arnold’s Grove Trailhead at Highway 141 and continuing east through Valley Park’s Meramec Levee Recreation Park, adjacent to St. Louis County’s Simpson Park, and into Kirkwood’s Greentree Park. This segment is approximately 3.64 miles in length. The current signage inventory identifies 32 existing signs, 14 of which are classified as regulatory and will remain in place. Key partners for this segment include the Cities of Valley Park and Kirkwood, St. Louis County Parks, and MoDOT. There is also potential to incorporate environmental graphics along this portion of the greenway.

The second segment is located entirely within St. Louis County’s Lower Meramec Park in far South St. Louis County and spans approximately 1.92 miles. Fifteen existing signs have been identified in this segment, including two regulatory signs that will remain unchanged. Great Rivers Greenway has an existing conservation agreement with St. Louis County Parks to reforest a portion of Lower Meramec Park, which may present opportunities for new or expanded interpretive signage. While not included in the base scope or fee, a topographic survey may be required—depending on final sign locations—to support the design of an ADA-accessible route. St. Louis County Parks is the sole partner for this segment. Due to the park’s natural context, environmental graphics are not anticipated for this portion of the project.

Portions of both segments may be located within the regulatory floodway, and Arnold’s Grove Trailhead in Valley Park is situated on an active levee. Early phases of the project will focus on identifying any required regulatory permits and coordinating with appropriate stakeholders, including floodplain development managers for Valley Park, Kirkwood, and St. Louis County. Specialized hydrologic or hydraulic analyses may be necessary for one or both segments, and any work on the Valley Park levee may require a Section 408 permit from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

The additional services, should they be required in the future, will be an additional \$40,898. Design will commence in May 2026 and the project will be ready for public bidding in mid-2027 barring any extended permitting delays.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$93,724, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH DG2 DESIGN, LLC IN CONNECTION WITH MERAMEC GREENWAY AND AUTHORIZING OTHER ACTIONS AS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE SAME.

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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 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 replacing and improving wayfinding and interpretive signage (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136 (Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 732J for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District’s Procurement Policy, the District issued and advertised an invitation to interview for or in furtherance of the Project and received three responses;

WHEREAS, DG2 Design, LLC 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 (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Proposal; (ii) negotiate and enter into a contract with DG2 Design, LLC; 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 April 14, 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 approve and accept the Proposal.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with DG2 Design, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$93,724 for the Project, subject to future appropriation.
3. 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.

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 14th day of April, 2026.
METROPOLITAN PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT
D/B/A THE GREAT RIVERS GREENWAY DISTRICT**

Bernie DuBray, President

ATTEST:

Carol Klein, Secretary

Vote:

Aye:

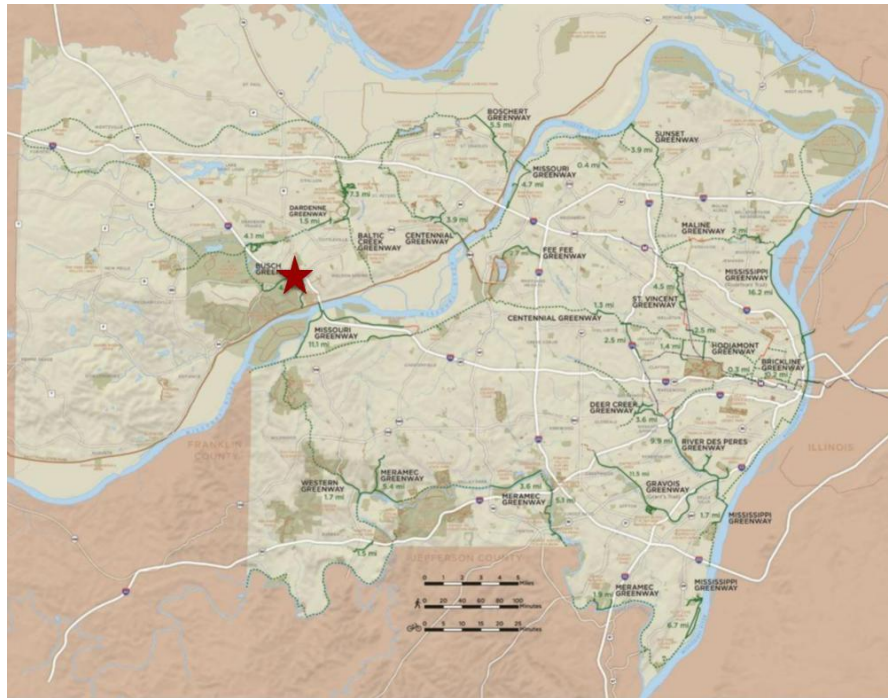
Nay:

Abstain:

Absent:

Not Present:

G. That the Board adopt Resolution 2026.027 approving Design Contract not to exceed \$99,857 with SWT Design, Inc., subject to future appropriation, in connection with Busch Greenway Signage Replacement and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Will Rein



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
732K	Busch	Katy Trail to Busch Conservation Area	St. Charles County Parks, St. Charles County Highway Department, MO Research Park, Missouri

			Department of Conservation, MODOT
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WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Will Rein	SWT Design	Design Contract

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)
No

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's List	February 2026	N/A	3

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)
Three firms were interviewed. DG2 Design, SWT Design, and Arcturis. While all three could perform this scope of work, SWT Design has experience working with the stakeholders in Missouri Research Park and have completed the master plan for Missouri Bluffs Park. SWT also brings extensive in-house GIS expertise to this project, which will be a benefit to the project and GRG.

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Approval of a Design Contract	\$99,857	\$167,437	GRG 1/10th

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

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE
2026	Design	Construction Documents

WHY AND/OR HOW:

This project will replace original wayfinding and interpretive signage along the Busch Greenway segment in St. Charles County from the Katy Trail, through Missouri Research Park, to Busch Conservation Area (Hwy 94). This segment spans 4.72 miles and was built in two phases, resulting in the earliest signage dating to 2008 and the second section to 2014. The current inventory indicates there are 101 existing signs with 59 of those marked as “regulatory” which will be left as-is. This segment crosses an above average number of driveways as it traverses Missouri Research Park which increases the number of stop and yield signs. It’s also a hilly segment which results in “steep grade” signs.

This is a standard wayfinding replacement project, albeit on the longer side and with an above average number of partners due to the way it was built and is currently maintained. The Partners include Missouri State Parks, Missouri Department of Conservation, Missouri Research Park, St. Charles County Parks, and the St. Charles County Highway Department.

There is a potential to add environmental graphics to this segment of greenway but that will be reviewed in the discovery and design development phases. Design will commence in May 2026 and the project will be ready for public bidding in mid-2027.

RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$99,857, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH SWT DESIGN, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH BUSCH 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 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 Busch Greenway is shown as a regional greenway in the River Ring Regional Plan (the “Busch Greenway”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to extend and improve the River Ring in furtherance of the River Ring Regional Plan by replacing and improving wayfinding and interpretive signage (the “Project”);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget was approved by the District pursuant to Resolution 2025.136 (Capital Budget);

WHEREAS, the 2026 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget included line item 732K for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 1/10 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District’s Procurement Policy, the District issued and advertised an invitation to interview for or in furtherance of the Project and received three responses;

WHEREAS, SWT Design, Inc. 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 (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Proposal; (ii) negotiate and enter into a contract with SWT Design, 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 April 14, 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 approve and accept the Proposal.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with SWT Design, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$99,857 for the Project, subject to future appropriation.
3. 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.

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 14th day of April, 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 2026.028 approving a Construction Contract not to exceed \$3,658,698, subject to future appropriation, with Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. in connection with Deer Creek Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Angelica Gutierrez



WHERE:

SUBPROJECT CODE	GREENWAY	SEGMENT	JURISDICTION(S)
196	Deer Creek	Big Bend Boulevard to River Des Peres Greenway	City of St. Louis, Maplewood, St. Louis County

WHO:

STAFF	CONTRACTOR(S), VENDOR(S), PARTNER(S)	TYPE OF SERVICES/AGREEMENT
Angelica Gutierrez	Gershenson Construction Co., Inc.	Construction Contract

FIRST CONTRACT WITH THIS ENTITY? (YES OR NO)	PLEASE LIST ANY SUBCONTRACTORS BY NAME, % OF CONTRACT RECEIVED
NO	GS Grinding Services, LLC - 1.69% Gateway Tree Care LLC - 0.32% Tramar Contracting, Inc. - 0.33% Meyer Electric Company, Inc - 20.9% Site System Landscaping LLC - 0.93%

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:
Construction Bid	February 2026	N/A	4

PROCUREMENT RESULTS DETAIL (BID RESULTS, SUMMARY OF INTERVIEWS, ETC)				
Bidder	Gershenson Construction	Pavement Solutions	RV Wagner	Raineri Construction
Bid	\$ 3,326,088.58	\$ 3,399,458.98	\$ 3,809,473.36	\$ 3,990,697.49

MoDOT Pre- Qualified	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Non- Responsive	---	Not Responsive	---	---

WHAT:

ACTION TYPE	AMOUNT OF REQUEST	CURRENT BUDGETED FUNDS AVAILABLE	AMENDMENTS AND/OR SOURCES
Contract Award	Base Bid = \$3,326,088.58 Contingency 10% = \$332,608.85 Total = \$3,658,698	2026 Budget - \$1,932,653	GRG 3/16th Capital Budget

OUTSIDE RESOURCES, GRANTS OR IN-KIND SERVICES
Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality CMAQ grant \$1,592,948 City of St. Louis \$113,000 St. Louis County \$30,000

WHEN:

BUDGET YEAR	CURRENT PHASE OF PROJECT	NEXT MILESTONE

2026 and 2027	Bidding	Construction
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WHY AND/OR HOW:

This Board Action requests to authorize the CEO to enter into a Construction Contract with Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. (Gershenson) in connection with Deer Creek Greenway: Oxford Blvd from Big Bend Blvd to Sussex Blvd, and Canterbury from Greenwood to Ellendale in the cities of Maplewood and St. Louis MO.

BACKGROUND

This project will include trail construction, road resurfacing, streetscape improvements, new traffic signals and storm and sanitary sewer construction along the extension of the Deer Creek Greenway from west of the intersection of Big Bend Blvd. and Oxford Ave. (Oxford Bend Park) to the intersection of Sussex Ave. and Greenwood Blvd., and on Canterbury Ave from Greenwood Blvd to the River des Peres Greenway - Ellendale/McCausland Ave. This project will complete the missing gap between the existing trail at Big Ben Blvd. in the Cities of Maplewood and Webster Groves and connect to the River des Peres Greenway in the City of St. Louis.

The design team composed by M3 Engineering Group, P.C., Oates and Associates, Inc., and DTLS Landscape Architecture, completed the project plans, specifications, and estimates in late 2025. The project was released for public bid on January 30, 2026, and notices were published in the St. Louis Post Dispatch and the St. Louis American. The bid opportunity was also posted on the GRG website, Bid Express and via the local plan room, Cross Rhodes Reprographics. A Pre-Bid meeting was held on February 11th, and one (1) addendum was issued for the project. The project included the unit price base bid. Bids were due on March 4, 2026 at 3:30pm CDT and at that time they were opened and publicly read aloud.

Four (4) bids were received for the project. GRG's Construction Management team, led by GFT, reviewed the bids and determined that, because this project is receiving federal funds through the Missouri Department of Transportation (MoDOT), all requirements, considerations and procedures for advertising, opening and evaluating bids and awarding a federal-aid contract as described in MoDOT's Engineering Policy Guide (EPG) for Local Public Agencies shall apply. All bidders must be on MoDOT's Qualified Prime Contractor List per Section 102.2 from the current version of the Missouri Standard Specifications for Highway Construction, including all revisions. One of the bids was submitted by

Pavement Solutions as illustrated in the table above. Pavement Solutions' prime contractor certification expired on February 28, 2026, and Pavement Solutions has not submitted documentation to renew their prime contractor certification with MoDOT. Because Pavement Solutions was not on MoDOT's prime contractors list at the time of bid opening, the bid from Pavement Solutions was not considered.

After further review and based on bid tabulation review and other submittals, the construction management team recommended that the contract be awarded to Gershenson. Gershenson has worked with GRG in the past and the work has been satisfactory and well done. Examples of the most significant projects built by Gershenson include the Deer Creek Greenway in Webster Groves, Centennial Greenway in St. Charles, St. Vincent Greenway in St. Louis County, River des Peres Greenway phase III in the City of St. Louis and Gravois Greenway - Grants trail in St. Louis County. Therefore, GRG staff seeks Board approval of the bid amount plus a 10% contingency, for a total not to exceed contract amount of \$3,658,698. The City of St. Louis provided \$113,000 towards the construction of the project within City limits and St. Louis County will contribute \$30,000 of \$3,326,088.58 for the installation of the traffic signal on Big Bend Blvd. and Oxford Intersection. Additionally, the Federal Transportation grant, Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), is contributing \$1,592,948 towards the construction of the project.

Construction costs are budgeted to span through 2026 and 2027. Contract expenditures within 2026 are projected to remain within the available budget. The 2027 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget will include the funds for the remaining efforts subject to Board approval. Therefore, GRG desires to authorize the contract with Gershenson and utilize funding from both fiscal years 2026 and 2027.

The Engineer's Estimate is \$2,754,700, which is \$571,388.58 less than the lowest bidder. GRG has funds to cover the difference and recommends award to Gershenson as the lowest and best-qualified bidder for the requested bid amount of \$3,326,088.58 (with a 10% contingency for a total of \$3,658,698). This recommendation is based on the following factors identified by the GRG and GFT team:

- Four bidders submitted bids within 20% of each other which shows good competition and validity of the bids.
- Due to heavy contractor workloads, it is not anticipated that cost savings would be realized by rebidding.
- It is not likely that any reasonable changes could be made to the plans that would result in lower bids, particularly as the bidders know the existing bid values.

An item of note, due to the Federal Transportation funding, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) approved extending this project's Construction Authorization End Date to June 30, 2026. The extended End Date means that FHWA expects GRG to obtain MoDOT's Concurrence in Award by early June 2026 in order to not put the Federal funds at risk. If approved, construction will commence by June.



RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS:

RESOLUTION #	DESCRIPTION
2025.115	Approval of a Construction Contract not to exceed \$1,296,900, subject to future appropriation, with Vision Civil Construction, LLC in connection with Deer Creek Greenway
2025.107	Approval of a Utility Relocation Agreement not to exceed \$110,000 with Union Electric Company d/b/a Ameren Missouri in connection with Deer Creek Greenway
2025.18	Approval of a contract amendment with M3 Engineering Group, P.C.. for pre-construction and construction administration services of the Deer Creek Greenway segment from the Deer Creek shopping center at Big Bend Boulevard and Oxford Boulevard, to the River des Peres Greenway.

2025.10	Approving a Cost Share Agreement not to exceed \$594,000, subject to future appropriation, with the City of Maplewood in connection with Deer Creek Greenway
2024.90	Approval of a contract with TranSystems for pre-construction and construction management services of the Deer Creek Greenway segment from the Deer Creek shopping center at Big Bend Blvd and Oxford Blvd, to the River des Peres Greenway.
2024.79c	Approving temporary construction easements not to exceed an aggregate amount of \$9,103.75 to purchase easements located at 3600, 3604 S. Big Bend Blvd, 3714 Big Bend Industrial, 3730, 3728, 3724, 3718, 3710, 3704, 3639 Oxford Blvd and 7411 Sussex Avenue
2024.09	Approving acceptance of the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) program agreement for at least \$1,592,948 with the Missouri Highways and Transportation Commission in connection with Deer Creek Greenway
2023.72	Approving a Reimbursement Agreement of at least \$30,000 with St. Louis County in Connection with the Deer Creek Greenway
2023.71	Approving a Reimbursement Agreement of at least \$113,000 with the City of St. Louis in Connection with the Deer Creek Greenway
2022.106	Approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$558,692 with M3 Engineering in Connection with the Deer Creek Greenway
2022.42	Approving a Contract not to exceed \$170,937 with M3 Engineering in Connection with the Deer Creek Greenway
2022.09	Approval to apply to the East West Gateway Council of Governments for the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality grant program in Connection with the Deer Creek Greenway
2020.42	Contract with Burns and McDonnell for Deer Creek to River des Peres 30% Design
2018.70	Contract with Burns and McDonnell for Deer Creek to River des Peres Preliminary Design - Intersection Safety Study

2016.80	Contract with Burns and McDonnell for Deer Creek to River des Peres Preliminary Design
2016.16	Grant Application CMAQ for the Deer Creek Greenway: Deer Creek Center to Francis Slay Park
2015.15	Grant Application STP-S for the Deer Creek Greenway
2014.45	Contract with Burns and McDonnell for Deer Creek to River des Peres
2023.106	Contract with Burns and McDonnell for Deer Creek to River des Peres - Alignment Study
2012.84	Contract with Burns & McDonnell for preliminary design of Deer Creek Center Trail to River des Peres on Deer Creek Greenway
2008.55	Contract with Burns & McDonnell for Deer Creek Corridor Study

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT NOT TO EXCEED \$3,658,698, SUBJECT TO FUTURE APPROPRIATION, WITH GERSHENSON CONSTRUCTION CO., INC. IN CONNECTION WITH DEER CREEK 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 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 constructing the Deer Creek Greenway in the cities of St. Louis and Maplewood, MO (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 Deer Creek for the Project;

WHEREAS, the 2027 GRG 3/16 Capital Budget will include a line item for the Project, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors of the District;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the District’s Procurement Policy and Section 67.1769 of the District Act, the District issued and advertised Request for Bids for or in furtherance of the Project and received four (4) responses;

WHEREAS, Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. was found to be qualified and whose bid is in conformance with Section 67.1769 of the District Act (the “Bid”);

WHEREAS, the District desires to (i) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to approve and accept the Bid; (ii) negotiate and enter into a contract with Gershenson Construction Co., 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 April 14, 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 approve and accept the Bid.
2. The Board authorizes the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and enter into a contract with Gershenson Construction Co., Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$3,658,698, subject to future appropriation, for the Project.
3. 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.
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 14th day of April, 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. None.

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

Recommended Action

To Reconvene Into Open Session

B. ADJOURN

Recommended Action

TO ADJOURN THE MEETING