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Public Information Meeting to Evaluate Proposed Kinnickinnic River Parkway Reconstruction Alternatives, Oct. 27

Milwaukee (Oct. 14, 2016) – Milwaukee County will host a public information meeting presenting two plans for the reconstruction of the Kinnickinnic River Parkway, from South 76th Street in West Allis to West Cleveland Avenue in Milwaukee. The open-house-style meeting will be held Oct. 27, from 6:30–8 p.m., at the McCarty Park Pavilion, 2567 S. 79 St. (west of South 78th Street between West Arthur Avenue and West Beloit Road). Street parking is available.

Residents may view and give feedback on displays of the reconstruction alternatives prior to and following a brief presentation at 7 p.m. Representatives from Milwaukee County, the City of Milwaukee, and the City of West Allis will be available to answer questions.

The parkway sections being addressed at the meeting—from South 76th Street to South 68th Street and from South 68th Street to West Cleveland Avenue—are two in a series of seven identified KK Parkway Reconstruction Projects. The projects require the reconstruction of pavement, storm sewer, and roadway lighting systems due to deterioration and end of useful life. Projects east of 60th Street will be reconstructed in the future.

One alternative being presented at the meeting reconstructs the parkway within the same footprint, while the other alternative replaces the segment from South 76th Street to South 68th Street with a paved multi-use trail.

In the trail alternative, a 10-foot-wide paved path would reduce the footprint of impervious pavement and increase green space as a best practice in stormwater management while creating a new amenity to serve the community’s recreational needs.

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Planning and design for the parkway from South 76th Street to West Cleveland Avenue will be completed in 2016. Construction phase funding of \$1.7 million is proposed in the 2017 Milwaukee County Capital Improvements Budget. Construction is anticipated to begin in late spring of 2017. While school is in session, two-way traffic along the parkway will be maintained east of South 68th Street.

ADA accommodation requests for the meeting should be filed with the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities, at (414) 278-3932 (voice) or (414) 278-3937 (TTY).

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