



# MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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## Chairwoman Nicholson, Supervisor Wasserman Commend Board Investment in 'High-Impact' Parks Projects

MILWAUKEE – Today, February 1, 2024, the Board of Supervisors approved the release of funding to support a series of county-wide park enhancements selected by Milwaukee County Parks leadership. The funding was appropriated in [Amendment #42](#) to the County's 2024 budget, authored by Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson and cosponsored by Supervisors Sequanna Taylor, Steven Shea, Willie Johnson, Jr., Felesia Martin, Priscilla Coggs-Jones, Juan Miguel Martinez, Peter Burgelis, Caroline Gómez-Tom, Kathleen Vincent, Patti Logsdon, and Ryan Clancy.

Amendment 42 earmarked \$500,000 in funding for “High-Impact” park enhancements aimed at activating park spaces, ensuring safety, and expanding recreational opportunities. High-impact projects are designed to be implemented swiftly, providing immediate benefits to park users. The approved initiatives, as recommended by Milwaukee County Parks, cover a range of projects that align with the County's strategic focus areas, promoting intentional inclusion and investing in equity. Chairwoman Nicholson and Supervisor Wasserman made the following statements:

*“I am honored to announce that the Board’s action to invest in Parks during our annual budget process is taking another step forward today, as we approve funding for transformative park projects. These initiatives, carefully chosen to activate public spaces and broaden recreational opportunities, exemplify our commitment to creating inclusive and vibrant environments for all residents of Milwaukee County,” said Chairwoman Nicholson. “I extend my gratitude to my fellow Supervisors for their support in championing these projects, which align with our vision to make Milwaukee County the healthiest county in the state of Wisconsin, by achieving racial equity. This investment in our parks will make Milwaukee County a healthier community to live and work. Together, we are fostering positive change and ensuring a brighter future for the next generation.”*

*“I am excited to support these impactful and immediate projects residents will soon be able to enjoy. These initiatives, ranging from enhanced safety measures to improved aesthetics of our beloved parks, reflect Milwaukee County’s commitment to creating lively, welcoming spaces for everyone. They will not only enhance our parks but also contribute to the overall quality of life for our residents,” added Parks Committee Chair, Sheldon Wasserman.*

Projects chosen include improvements to Tiefenthaler Park (located in District 10), seasonal labor funding, pavilion upgrades, Walker Square Park grounds improvements, and community center upgrades.

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