

# Memo

To: Village Board

From: Chris Clark, Director of Parks, Recreation, & Forestry

Re: Resolution 2016-20; Authorize Funding for a Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission – Emerald Ash Borer Mitigation Grant

Date: August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016

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## Background Information:

The Parks Department is seeking approval to apply for federal grant funding through the Bay Lakes Regional Planning Commission for the purposes of planting Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) non-host tree species on village properties and right-of-ways. As part of the grant application process, the Village must pass a resolution authorizing funding for the project.

This grant is available only to municipalities, counties, and tribes within EAB quarantined areas and located within the Wisconsin Great Lakes Basin. Funded projects will focus on planting of non-host trees to mitigate the impacts of EAB and prepare communities for invasion by diversifying their urban and community forests. This is a cost share grant, with the village's portion being 25% of the total project, which can include in-kind labor and equipment.

The Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department is anticipating the replacement planting of approximately 30 trees within the next year in parks and along village streets. The project is estimated at \$6915 of which \$5180 would be grant monies and \$1735 would be from in-kind staff labor, equipment, and budgeted funds.

## Previous Information/Action:

None

## Budget Item/Funding:

The funds for this project are currently budgeted for in the Parks, Recreation, and Forestry Department forestry operation budget. This grant will help offset costs that we will incur anyway.

## Staff Recommendation:

Village staff recommends the Village Board approve Resolution 2016-20.

## Attachments:

- Resolution 2016-20



## RESOLUTION 2016-20

A resolution in support of acquiring funding for a Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission – Emerald Ash Borer mitigation grant.

WHEREAS, the applicant, Village of Allouez, is interested in obtaining a cost-share grant from the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for the purpose of funding Emerald Ash Borer mitigation projects under funding originating from the U.S. Forest Service, Great Lakes Restoration Initiative;

WHEREAS, the applicant attests to the validity and veracity of the statements and representations contained in the grant application; and

WHEREAS, the applicant requests a grant agreement to carry out the project;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the applicant, Village of Allouez, will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations, and ordinances relating to this project and the cost-share agreement;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the applicant will budget a sum sufficient to fully and satisfactorily complete the project and hereby authorizes and empowers the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Forestry, its official or employee, to act on its behalf to:

1. Sign and submit the grant application.
2. Sign a grant agreement between applicant and the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission.
3. Submit interim and/or final reports to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission to satisfy the grant agreement.
4. Submit reimbursement requests and, if applicable, contractor invoices to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission.
5. Sign and submit other required documentation.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

I hereby certify that the foregoing was duly adopted by the Board of Trustees at a legal meeting on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016.

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James F. Rafter, Village President

ATTEST:

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Debra M. Baenen, Village Clerk