



January Board Cycle

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Date: December 30, 2020
To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors
From: Guy Smith, Executive Director, Milwaukee County Parks
Subject: **2020 FEMA Disaster Funding for Lakefront Storm Damage –INFO**

Issue

Informational update on efforts by Milwaukee County Parks to acquire Federal Disaster Funding for Storm Damage in January of 2020.

Background

On January 10-12, 2020 Milwaukee County experienced significant storm damage along the Lake Michigan coast as a result of both historically high water levels and damaging wave action. Parks, the Department of Administrative Services – Architecture and Engineering Division, and the Milwaukee County Office of Emergency Management (OEM) have been working with FEMA to ascertain what resources through disaster funding may be available to clean up, repair, and mitigate the damages experienced. The January storm event has been declared a Presidential Disaster, therefore Parks worked throughout 2020 with both FEMA and the Wisconsin Department of Emergency Management (WEM) to coordinate regarding eligible damages. Work has included submission of a detailed damage summary, definition of project scopes, weekly meetings, and site inspections. Projects eligible for FEMA funding have a total budget breakdown of 75% Federal, 12.5% State, and 12.5% Local share. Awarded projects will be matched with Parks Operating Funds in order to advance project work. Funding needs and project statuses as of the date of this report are detailed in the following table.



Site	Damage Type	Status	Est Cnty Share (12.5%)	Est Total Cost
South Shore Yacht Club	Dockage Damaged	FEMA coverage of SSYC deductible + depreciation pending	NA	\$ 18,750.00 (SSYC Insurance Deductible)
South Shore Yacht Club Pier	Pier destroyed	FEMA coverage of SSYC + depreciation pending		
Cupertino Accessible Fishing Pier	Pier destroyed	Project + Mitigation approved, work underway	\$ 6,376.25	\$ 51,010.00
Riverfront Boat Launch	Washout, pvmt damage	Project approved, work pending		
South Shore Breakwater (north end)	Damage/loss of breakwater material	Project denied by FEMA, appeal pending		\$ 1,317,000.00
South Shore Breakwater (south end)	Damage/loss of breakwater material	Project denied by FEMA		\$ 1,478,000.00
South Shore OLT	Erosion and damage north of Texas water intake	FEMA approved, work complete	\$ 5,775.00	\$ 46,200.00
McKinley Marina	Dockage D electrical damage, incidental plumbing	Pending	\$ 13,732.00	\$ 109,856.00
McKinley Marina	Pvmt/washout at boat launch	Pending		
Art Museum/WM Lake Walk-OLT	North end - sinkhole	Pending		
North Point Parking Lot	Shoreline erosion & pvmt damage, debris	Debris removal pending	\$ 687.50	\$ 5,500.00
Linnwood Revetment	Damage/loss of revetment material	Denied		
Bay View	50' bluff erosion	FEMA ineligible, withdrawn		\$ 288,000.00
Warnimont Park	Bluff failure	FEMA ineligible, withdrawn		\$ 432,000.00
Big Bay	Retaining wall, path, and step damage	Pending		\$ 2,070,000.00
Sheridan	Bluff failure	FEMA ineligible, withdrawn	\$ 1,712.50	\$ 13,700.00
Misc. Parks Locations	Debris removal	Pending		\$ 1,295,000.00
Doctors	Debris removal	Pending	\$ 7,300.00	\$ 58,400.00



Big Bay	Debris removal	Pending		
Grant	Debris removal	Pending		
Bradford	Debris removal	Pending		
Lake Park - Linnwood area	Debris, erosion	Pending		
			\$ 52,620.75	\$ 7,164,666.00

Milwaukee County Parks is in the process of filing a partial appeal for the South Shore Breakwater denial. The focus of the County's argument will be regarding the north breakwater, immediately adjacent to the South Shore Yacht Club. All FEMA appeals are sent to WEM, and must contain new information, details on disputed costs, and justification in the form of cited law and policy. WEM and FEMA have 60 days to consider any such appeal.

Recommendation

No action required, informational update only.

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