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Minneapolis Parks and Recreation Board
Superintendent Jayne Miller
2117 W River Road
Minneapolis, MN 55411

Re: Engineering Consultant's Report on the Kenilworth Channel

Dear Superintendent Miller:

This letter is a follow-up to recent discussions between the Metropolitan Council (Council) and the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board (MPRB) about the Kenilworth Channel and 4(f) analysis under Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966. The MPRB is an official with jurisdiction under the federal 4(f) statutes and regulations and hired an engineering consultant to study a tunnel option under the Kenilworth Channel.

The Council will benefit from analysis conducted by the Park Board commissioned engineering study to further evaluate tunnel alternatives under the channel. This information will help inform the 4(f) analysis that will be addressed in the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SDEIS) and the final 4(f) analysis. The Council proposes the following:

1. To help cover the costs of the MPRB's consultant study, the Council will reimburse the MPRB: (a) fifty percent (50%) of the MPRB's engineering consultant costs or \$250,000, whichever amount is less; and (b) \$21,500 for MPRB staff work associated with the preparation of that report. The \$21,500 is in addition to the reimbursement for engineering consultant costs.
2. The MPRB will provide the Council with a copy of the report and any underlying data that may have been collected for the report if those data will help the Council complete its 4(f) analysis.
3. The MPRB will submit an invoice with supporting documentation showing actual MPRB expenditures for the consultant report.
4. The Council will reimburse the MPRB within thirty days after receiving the invoice and supporting documentation.
5. The Council will reimburse the MPRB for any future MPRB staff work performed on behalf of the SWLRT Project consistent with the Project's standard protocol for reimbursement of Project partners' staff work and pursuant to the terms of a future Master Funding Agreement and Subordinate Funding Agreements between the MPRB and the Council.

If this reimbursement proposal is acceptable to the MPRB, please sign below and return a copy of this letter to me for the Council's contract files.

Accepted on behalf of the
Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board

Sincerely,

Patrick P. Born
Regional Administrator

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