MEMORANDUM

TO: Park Advisory Commission

FROM: Colin Smith, Parks and Recreation Services Manager

DATE: September 15, 2020

SUBJECT: Resolution to Recommend Approval of a Michigan Department of Natural

Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) Grant Development Project Agreement for the Argo Livery Universal Access and Site Improvements Project and

Accept and Appropriate Funding (\$300,000.00).

Attached for your review and action is a resolution to recommend approval of a grant agreement from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) to construct universal access and site improvements at the Argo Livery within Argo Nature Area.

Budget/Fiscal Impact

Funding for this project includes the \$300,000.00 grant from the MNRTF and \$300,000.00 from previously approved Park Maintenance and Capital Improvements Millage funds.

Project Description

The improvements to the Argo Livery include a restroom addition and renovations, an accessible kayak launch, an accessible fishing pier, and parking lot improvements. The Park Advisory Commission and City Council approved submitting the grant application in 2019. \$300,000.00 was applied for and the full amount was awarded.

The project is identified in the Capital Improvements Plan. Design of the project is underway, Planning Commission has approved the site plan, and construction is anticipated to start in the fall of 2021. The approval of the Development Project Agreement will allow the project to move to the next stage of bidding and construction.

RESOLUTION TO RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF A MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND GRANT DEVELOPMENT PROJECT AGREEMENT FOR UNIVERSAL ACCESS AND SITE IMPROVEMENTS TO ARGO NATURE AREA AND ACCEPT AND APPROPRIATE UP TO \$300,000.00 IN FUNDING

Whereas, The Michigan Department of Natural Resources approved a matching grant through the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) or (DEPARTMENT) for construction of Universal Access and Site improvements to Argo Nature Area.

Whereas, the Park Advisory Commission recommended approved the grant application on February 26, 2019, and City Council recommended approval of the grant application on March 18, 2019, and

Whereas, Local match funding for the project includes \$300,000.00 from the Parks Maintenance and Capital Improvements Millage;

RESOLVED, That the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement for TF19-0154 as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Ann Arbor does specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

- 1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide Three Hundred Thousand (\$300,000.00) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT.
- 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times.
- 3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
- 4. To regulate the use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
- 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution.

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend that Mayor and Council accept and appropriate funding not to exceed \$300,000.00 from the DEPARTMENT;

RESOLVED, That the Park Advisory Commission recommend approval of the project agreement between the City and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources for the construction of Universal Access and Site Improvements at the Argo Livery.