

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 14 (2018/19)

Re: **Authorizing Planning and Conservation Department to Apply for Fiscal Year 2018 Tree Planting Grant**

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative program has provided funding for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and Wisconsin Regional Planning Commissions to award tree planting grants of up to \$20,000.00 to eligible applicants, and

WHEREAS, the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission is soliciting grant applications to fund tree planting in communities within the Wisconsin Great Lakes Basin, and

WHEREAS, Sheboygan County, through its Planning and Conservation Department, is an eligible applicant and would be able to fulfill any required obligations to receive the grant without impacting the Department's budget, and

WHEREAS, the Amsterdam Dunes Preservation Area has been targeted with invasive species removal and native vegetation regrowth efforts, and

WHEREAS, a native tree canopy is conducive to the ecological well-being and attractiveness of the County's pristine and unique Amsterdam Dunes Preservation Area property, and

WHEREAS, it would be desirable for the Planning and Conservation Department to submit an application to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission under the Great Lakes Basin Tree Planting Grant Program to obtain financial support for tree planting at the Amsterdam Dunes Preservation Area;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Planning and Conservation Director be authorized to act on behalf of Sheboygan County to submit an application to the Bay-Lake Regional Planning Commission for any financial aid that may be available, sign documents as required, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete the approved project.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Sheboygan County will comply with all local, state, and federal rules, regulations, and ordinances relating to this project and will meet any financial obligations required under the grant.

Respectfully submitted this 21st day of August, 2018.

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Opposed to Introduction:

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