



RESOLUTION # 21-18

Approval of lease agreement between the City of Saint Paul and Como Friends for office space at Como Park Zoo and Conservatory

WHEREAS, the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission (“Commission”) is an appointed body established to advise the Mayor and City Council on long-range and city-wide matters related to Parks and Recreation; and

WHEREAS, Como Friends is the non-profit partner dedicated to supporting, preserving and enhancing Como Park Zoo and Conservatory; and

WHEREAS, since 2001, Como Friends has invested more than \$45 million in improvements to Como, including the recent completion of the capital campaign raising \$4.9 million for Como Harbor; and

WHEREAS, Como Friends wishes to renew their office space lease agreement between the City of Saint Paul at Como Park Zoo and Conservatory’s Main Zoological Building, 1225 Estabrook Drive; and

WHEREAS, Saint Paul Administrative Code requires that any lease of parkland or recreation facilities which will be for a period of more than one year be approved by the City Council following a hearing before the Parks and Recreation Commission; and

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission recommends the approval of lease agreement between the City of Saint Paul and Como Friends.

Adopted by the Saint Paul Parks and Recreation Commission on November 18, 2021:

Approved:	Yeas	<u>8</u>
	Nays	<u>0</u>
	Absent:	<u>1</u>

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Attested to by:

Elizabeth Lee McDonald

Staff to the Parks and Recreation Commission

