



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

There is no fiscal impact associated with the acceptance of the *Report*. Implementing specific recommendations within the *Report* will require further study and expenditures in future capital and operating budgets, subject to Common Council approval at that time.

Title

Accepting the Greening America's Capitals: Brittingham - Triangle Green Project Report and authorizing staff to further study the concepts and actions contained in the Report during future planning and infrastructure activities within the project area.

Body

WHEREAS, Greening America's Capitals is a US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) program to help state capitals develop an implementable vision of distinctive, environmentally friendly neighborhoods that incorporate innovative green infrastructure strategies; and

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the US Department of Transportation (DOT) through the Partnership for Sustainable Communities, EPA provides design assistance to help support sustainable communities that protect the environment, economy, and public health and to inspire state leaders to expand this work elsewhere; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison applied to the Greening America's Capitals program identifying the following five focus areas in the Brittingham Park - Triangle area: 1) East Campus Mall extension, 2) West Washington Ave. 3) intersection of West Washington Ave. and South Park St., 4) intersection of W. Washington Ave. and Regent St., and 5) Brittingham Park beach and boat rental area; and

WHEREAS, in 2013 Madison was chosen as one of four state capital cities to receive this assistance, and the EPA selected the design consulting team of Vireo and Toole Design Group, LLC to lead this effort; and

WHEREAS, an interagency City staff team was formed to engage community residents and stakeholders and to partner with the design consulting team; and

WHEREAS, input was solicited from residents, property and business owners, and other stakeholders during the summer and fall of 2014, culminating with a series of work sessions and public meetings in September; and

WHEREAS, in June of 2015, the EPA issued its final report entitled *Greening America's Capitals: Brittingham - Triangle Green Project Report*.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Common Council hereby accepts the *Greening America's Capitals: Brittingham - Triangle Green Project Report*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accepting this report, the Common Council is authorizing staff to further study the concepts and actions contained in the *Report* during future planning and infrastructure activities within the project area.