



# Milwaukee County

County Courthouse  
901 N. 9th Street, Rm.  
201B  
Milwaukee, WI 53233

## Meeting Minutes Judiciary, Safety and General Services Committee

*Chairperson: Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr.*  
*Committee Coordinator: Allyson R. Smith, 414-278-4225*  
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Thursday, December 15, 2016

8:30 AM

Room 201B

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### SPECIAL MEETING

#### Call To Order

**Present** 5 - Staskunas, West, Alexander, Cullen and Johnson Jr.

**Supervisors Cullen and West were not present when the roll was called, but appeared shortly thereafter.**

#### RESOLUTIONS - 2

- 1      [16-743](#)      A resolution establishing a policy to conduct external investigations of deaths that occur under certain circumstances at the Milwaukee County House of Correction and the Milwaukee County Jail.

**Sponsors:**      Lipscomb Sr., Moore Omokunde, West, Dimitrijevic, Cullen, Sartori, Sebring, Staskunas and Mayo Sr.

**Attachments:**      [RESOLUTION](#)  
[FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[CORPORATION COUNSEL OPINION](#)  
[JSGS AMENDMENT 1](#)  
[CB Resolution](#)

#### **APPEARANCES:**

Chairman Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
Colleen Foley, Interim Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel  
Supervisor Supreme Moore Omokunde, District 10  
Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, District 4  
Michael Hafemann, Superintendent, Milwaukee County House of Correction

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of this item:

Reverend Steve Jerbi, Pastor, All Peoples Church  
Heather Kuhl, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Elysse Chay, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Dana Oswald, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Lise Sadagopan, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Joyce Ellwanger, Ex Prisoners Organizing (EXPO)  
Reverend Joseph Ellwanger, Milwaukee Inner City Congregations Allied for

Hope  
Katy Kujala Korpela, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Emily Guy Birkin, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Lauryl Sulfate, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Eileen Lauer, Progressive Moms of Milwaukee  
Jamie Lucas, Lead Organizer, Federation of Nurses and Health Professionals

The following people registered in favor, but did not speak:

Margaret Shires  
Heather Cook Elliott  
Megan O'Halloran  
Marya Bradley

The following people appeared and spoke against this item:

Mary Watkins  
Milagro H. Jones

Supervisors West, Dimitrijevic, Cullen, Sartori, Sebring, Staskunas, and Mayo, Sr., requested unanimous consent to be added as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

Chairman Lipscomb, Sr., introduced JSGS Amendment 1, which is attached to this file.

A motion was made by Supervisor West that this Resolution be AMENDED with JSGS Amendment 1. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Staskunas, West, Alexander, Cullen and Johnson Jr.

A motion was made by Supervisor West that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

**Aye:** 4 - Staskunas, West, Cullen and Johnson Jr.

**No:** 1 - Alexander

2      [16-740](#)

A resolution that supports joining the "Stepping Up" initiative, which aims to reduce the number of people with mental illness who are jailed.

**Sponsors:** West, Alexander, Cullen, Sartori and Johnson Jr.

**Attachments:**    [RESOLUTION](#)  
                          [FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                          [CB Resolution](#)

Supervisors Alexander, Cullen, Sartori, and Johnson, Jr., requested unanimous consent to be added as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

A motion was made by Supervisor West that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Staskunas, West, Alexander, Cullen and Johnson Jr.

### CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 3

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin State Statutes, for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s). At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary.

The Committee did not adjourn into closed session.

### CORPORATION COUNSEL - 1

- 3      [16-8](#)      From Corporation Counsel, submitting an informational monthly report providing an update on the status of pending litigation. **(Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services and Finance and Audit) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [REVISED NOVEMBER/DECEMBER REPORT \(11/22/16\)](#)  
[CORPORATION COUNSEL MEMO \(12/01/16\)](#)  
[LETTER TO SHERIFF DAVID CLARKE \(12/08/16\)](#)

APPEARANCE:  
Colleen Foley, Interim Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

This Reference File was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN

Length of Meeting: 8:33 a.m. to 10:03 a.m.

Adjourned,

Allyson R. Smith  
Committee Coordinator  
Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services

Deadline for the next meeting: The next regular meeting for the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services is Thursday, January 19, 2017. All items MUST be in the Committee Coordinator's possession by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.