

Milwaukee County

Office of the Comptroller

INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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To: Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors and

County Board of Supervisors

From: Cynthia (CJ) Pahl, Financial Services Director, Office of the Comptroller Subject: County Board of Supervisor Salaries for the Term Beginning April 2026

Salaries for the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors are set based on Wis. Stats. 59.10(2)(c) 1 - 4 and Milwaukee General Ordinances. It is the Comptroller's responsibility based on MGO 17.99 (1)(b) to certify the following information used in setting supervisor salaries by September 1st:

- The Percentage Increase in the U.S. consumer price index for all urban consumers, U.S. city average, for the period beginning May 2023 and ending May 2025 or "Percentage Increase" was 5.70 percent; and
- The amount that equals the annual per capita income of Milwaukee County as most recently determined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census or "Per Capita Amount" is \$36,955.

Based on Wisconsin Statutes and MGO, salaries for supervisors are to be the lesser of either a) the previous salary amount increased by the "Percentage Increase"; or b) the "Per Capita Amount."

The previous salary amount increased by the "Percentage Increase" of 5.70 percent results in a salary of \$32,819. This amount is less than the "Per Capita Amount" of \$36,955, so the salary for County Board supervisors for the term beginning April 2026 will be **\$32,819**. The salary for the chairperson of the board's finance committee shall be 125 percent that of a supervisor, or **\$41,024**. The salary for the chairperson of the board shall be 150 percent that of a supervisor, or **\$49,229**.

For comparison, the following salary rates were previously in effect:

Term	Percent	Supervisor	Finance	County Board
	Change		Chair	Chair
2026-2028	5.70%	\$32,819	\$41,024	\$49,229
2024-2026	12.98%	\$31,049	\$38,811	\$46,574
2022-2024	5.12%	\$27,482	\$34,353	\$41,223
2020-2022	4.64%	\$26,144	\$32,680	\$39,215
2018-2020	2.88%	\$24,984	\$31,230	\$37,467
2016-2018	-	\$24,285	\$30,356	\$36,428

This report is informational only. These salary amounts will take effect automatically upon the first day of the April 2026 term unless Milwaukee General Ordinances are amended.

Cynthia J. Pahl

cc: County Executive David Crowley

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