

1 (Item ) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting acceptance of  
2 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality funding for SFY 2020-2024, as follows,

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4 **A RESOLUTION**  
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7 WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) administers  
8 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program grants on behalf of the Federal  
9 Highway Administration (FHWA) ; and

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11 WHEREAS, the purpose of these funds is to improve air quality and reduce  
12 congestion in air quality non-attainment areas including Milwaukee County; and

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14 WHEREAS, for many years, Milwaukee County applied for and received CMAQ  
15 grants for various transit and transportation services related projects; and

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17 WHEREAS, CMAQ projects must comply with applicable federal laws and state  
18 requirements and generally fall into one of three categories: (1) projects that reduce  
19 vehicle trips and/or vehicle miles traveled, (2) projects that reduce emissions by  
20 improving traffic congestion, or (3) projects that reduce emissions through improved  
21 vehicle and fuel technologies; and

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23 WHEREAS, CMAQ funding is not a permanent source for administrative and  
24 operating costs. Based upon current guidance regarding federal operating assistance,  
25 funding for new public transit services is limited to three years of funding that may be  
26 used over five years; and

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28 WHEREAS, On April 14, 2020 MCDOT was notified by WisDOT that projects  
29 have been awarded \$18,982,957 in federal funding. The attached spreadsheet details  
30 the projects that were approved as submitted and approved for partial funds. All  
31 MCDOT proposed projects were approved; and

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33 WHEREAS, CMAQ projects require a 20 percent local matching funds  
34 contribution. Total approved project costs of \$23,728,696 would be funded by  
35 \$18,982,957 in federal funding and \$4,745,39 in required Milwaukee County matching  
36 funds. The \$18,982,957 in federal funds includes \$18,068,797 for Transit and \$914,160  
37 for Highways; and

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39 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation recommends that Milwaukee  
40 County accept the federal CMAQ funds for approved projects; and

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42 WHEREAS, subsequently, as the start dates for each of the approved projects  
43 are refined in coordination with WisDOT, MCDOT would identify the individual project  
44 and funding, including the required County matching contribution for each project, as  
45 part of the annual budget process over the grant period; now, therefore,  
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47           BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors authorizes  
48 acceptance of \$18,982,957 in Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funds covering  
49 the grant award period of State Fiscal Years 2020-2024.