

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: March 28, 2014

To: Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Jerome J. Heer, Director of Audits

Subject: Proposed Resolution to Provide Funding Necessary for the Audit Services Division to Comply with Enforcement Duties Assigned by the New Minimum Living Wage Ordinance

REQUEST

The Audit Services Division respectfully requests the transfer of \$78,384 from the Contingency Fund to the Audit Services Division budget to provide funding for the addition of three audit positions and related computer equipment in the current year.

BACKGROUND

At its meeting on March 20, 2014, the County Board approved a resolution enacting a minimum living wage ordinance for service, concession, lease and financial assistance agreements publicly funded by Milwaukee County and amending Chapter 32.09(17) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances (File No. 13-955).

The approved resolution/ordinance calls for the Audit Services Division of the Office of the Comptroller to enforce compliance with the provisions of the minimum living wage ordinance.

The Comptroller issued a fiscal analysis report dated December 12, 2013 on the proposed minimum living wage ordinance. Among other impacts, the Comptroller's fiscal report identified the need for three additional positions within the Audit Services Division to comply with the new enforcement duties assigned to the division.

RECOMMENDATION

To comply with new enforcement duties assigned to the Audit Services Division under the new minimum living wage ordinance, we recommend the transfer of \$78,384 from the Contingency Fund to the Audit Services Division budget to provide funding for the addition of three audit positions and related computer equipment in the current year. It is anticipated the positions will be filled in August and September of 2014.

The required resolution and fiscal note are attached for your consideration and referral to the Finance, Personnel and Audit Committee of the County Board of Supervisors.


Jerome J. Heer

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Attachments

cc: Scott B. Manske, Comptroller
Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., Co-Chair, Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit
Supervisor David Cullen, Co-Chair, Committee on Finance, Personnel and Audit
Chris Abele, County Executive
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