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File No. 26-297

6 **A RESOLUTION**  
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8 Requesting the Department of Administrative Services – Information Management  
9 Services Division (DAS-IMSD), in conjunction with DAS-Procurement, the Office of  
10 Corporation Counsel and the Office of the Comptroller, to develop a plan to implement a  
11 public dashboard of contracts subject to County Board approval  
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14 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County enters into numerous contracts each year  
15 for professional services, capital projects, supplies, and employee benefit  
16 programs; and  
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18 WHEREAS, the County Board has a duty to ensure that public funds are  
19 spent lawfully, efficiently, and in a manner that protects the interests of  
20 taxpayers; and  
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22 WHEREAS, clear and timely access to key contract information promotes  
23 transparency, strengthens oversight, and supports informed decision-making by  
24 policymakers and the public; and  
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26 WHEREAS, earlier in 2026, a major contract related to employee and  
27 retiree healthcare services was allowed to lapse, placing the County Board in the  
28 position of having to consider retroactive approval while questions remained  
29 regarding contract language and fiscal impacts; and  
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31 WHEREAS, searchable and accessible public reporting of contract details  
32 such as total value, annual cost, start and end dates, renewals, contractor name,  
33 and purpose would improve accountability and reduce the risk of administrative  
34 oversight; and  
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36 WHEREAS, greater public visibility into contract timelines and financial  
37 terms would help prevent similar situations and ensure that contracts subject to  
38 County Board approval are tracked and managed in a timely manner; and  
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40 WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General  
41 Services, at its meeting of March 10, 2026, recommended adoption of File No.  
42 26-297 (vote 5-0); now, therefore,  
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BE IT RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors requests the Department of Administrative Services – Information Management Services Division (DAS-IMSD), working in conjunction with the Office of Corporation Counsel and the Office of the Comptroller, to develop a plan to implement a public-facing dashboard of all contracts subject to County Board approval; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the proposed dashboard shall, at a minimum, allow users to search and filter contracts by total contract amount, annual contract amount, contract start date, contract end date, number of renewals or extensions, contractor name, and contract purpose; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that DAS-IMSD shall provide a written report to the County Board, no later than the June 2026 meeting cycle, presenting a comprehensive plan to implement a public contract dashboard, including the general approach to its design and operation, the resources and funding needed to support it, and an estimated timeline for implementation.

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