



# Milwaukee County

## Meeting Minutes Committee on Intergovernmental Relations

*Chairperson: Supervisor Caroline Gómez-Tom*

*Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Kathleen Vincent*

*Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr.*

*Supervisor Steven Shea*

*Supervisor Leevan D. Roundtree Jr.*

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Friday, May 22, 2026

3:00 PM

Room 203-R and Microsoft Teams  
County Legislative Information Center

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This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

### Call To Order

Roll Call at 3:02 p.m.

**Present** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

**OFFICE OF STRATEGY, BUDGET, AND PERFORMANCE - 1**

- 1      [26-439](#)      From the Director Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance providing an informational report on the 1000-year flood recovery efforts and fiscal impacts. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [26-439 REPORT](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Isaac Rowlett, Strategy Director, Strategy Division, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance

Paul Riegel, Director of Emergency Management, Office of Emergency Management

Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Ethan T. Masarik, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)

Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

The Informational Report associated with Item 1 was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

## RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES - 7

- 2      [26-470](#)      A resolution requesting a proactive flood prevention and preparedness plan that includes intergovernmental coordination and climate resiliency funding for Milwaukee County

**Sponsors:**      Nicholson-Bovell, Gomez-Tom, Bielinski, Capriolo, Vincent, Rolland, O'Connor, Logsdon, Johnson, Jr., Shea, Eckblad and Roundtree Jr.

**Attachments:**      [26-470 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-470 FISCAL NOTE](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Isaac Rowlett, Strategy Director, Strategy Division, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance

Paul Riegel, Director of Emergency Management, Office of Emergency Management

Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Ethan T. Masarik, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)

Items 1 and 2 were considered together.

Chairwoman Nicholson-Bovell requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors Johnson, Jr., Shea, Eckblad, and Roundtree Jr. as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Vincent that the Resolution associated with Item 2 be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

**Items 3, 9, and 10 were considered together.**

- 3**      [26-453](#)      A resolution establishing the Milwaukee City-County Joint Taskforce to Address the Food Access Crisis in Milwaukee County

**Sponsors:**      Nicholson-Bovell, Roundtree Jr., Martin, Gomez-Tom, O'Connor, Rolland, Wasserman, Capriolo, Vincent, Johnson, Jr., Shea and Eckblad

**Attachments:**      [26-453 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-453 FISCAL NOTE](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

**Emily Kenney, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Transformation, Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Sumaiyah Clark, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity**  
**Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors**  
**Supervisor Shawn Rolland, District 6 (virtually)**  
**Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)**  
**Supervisor Anne O'Connor, District 1 (virtually)**

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of the Resolution associated with Item 3:

**Melody McCurtis, Food Justice Collective (FJC), Metcalfe Park Community Bridges (MPCB)**  
**Representative Margaret Arney, District 18, Wisconsin State Assembly**  
**Nateya Taylor, FJC, MPCB**

Melody McCurtis, FJC, MPCB, appeared and spoke for information only regarding the Informational Reports associated with Items 9 and 10.

Items 3, 9, and 10 were considered together.

Chairwoman Nicholson-Bovell requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors Vincent, Johnson, Jr., Shea, and Eckblad as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson, Jr., that the Resolution associated with Item 3 be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

- 4      [26-447](#)      A resolution condemning the detention of Salah Sarsour, demanding his immediate release from federal custody, and calling for the protection of his constitutional due process rights

**Sponsors:**      Gomez-Tom, Bielinski, O'Connor, Martinez, Rolland, Martin, Johnson, Jr., Vincent, Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Eckblad

**Attachments:**      [26-447 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-447 FISCAL NOTE](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Supervisor Anne O'Connor, District 1 (virtually)  
Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of this Resolution:  
Fauzia Qureshi, Wisconsin Muslim Civic Alliance  
Adel Sarsour

Chairwoman Gomez-Tom requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors Johnson, Jr., Vincent, Shea, Roundtree Jr., and Eckblad as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

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

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

- 5      [26-306](#)      A resolution urging the Governor of Wisconsin and the State Legislature to enact a comprehensive, sustainable transportation and transit funding solution

**Sponsors:**      Rolland, Vincent, Shea, Roundtree Jr., Johnson, Jr., O'Connor and Gomez-Tom

**Attachments:**      [26-306 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-306 FISCAL NOTE](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Supervisor Shawn Rolland, District 6 (virtually)  
Supervisor Anne O'Connor, District 1 (virtually)  
Ethan T. Masarik, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Supervisor Rolland requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors Vincent, Shea, Roundtree Jr., Johnson, Jr., O'Connor, and Gomez-Tom as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

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

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

- 6      [26-337](#)      A resolution to safeguard constitutional rights and ensure equal application of the law through responsible local governance and equitable federal funding

**Sponsors:**      O'Connor, Martinez, Gomez-Tom, Bielinski, Capriolo, Johnson, Jr., Vincent, Shea and Roundtree Jr.

**Attachments:**      [26-337 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-337 FISCAL NOTE](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Supervisor Anne O'Connor, District 1 (virtually)

Supervisor O'Connor requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors Johnson, Jr., Vincent, Shea, and Roundtree Jr. as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

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

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

**[ORDINANCE]**

- 7      [26-340](#)      A resolution/ordinance amending Appendix C - Traffic Laws of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to create Section 23(1) - Impoundment of vehicles used in reckless driving offenses as authorized in Wis. Stat. § 349.115. **(Referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services; and Intergovernmental Relations) (County Board Meeting 03/19/26: Referred to the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations)**

**Sponsors:**      Johnson, Jr., O'Connor, Rolland, Vincent, Capriolo, Logsdon, Martin and Shea

**Attachments:**      [26-340 RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE](#)  
                                 [26-340 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                                 [26-340 PRESS RELEASE \(received 03/12/26\)](#)  
                                 [26-340 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

**Douglas Holton, Inspector, Police Services Bureau, Office of the Sheriff (Sheriff)**  
**Brian Barkow, Chief Deputy, Sheriff**

Supervisor Johnson, Jr., requested unanimous consent to add Supervisor Shea as a cosponsor of this Resolution/Ordinance. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson, Jr., that this Resolution/Ordinance be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

- 8      [26-341](#)      A resolution expressing solidarity with the residents of Hennepin and Ramsey Counties in Minnesota and encouraging the people of Milwaukee County to uphold the rights protected by the U.S. Constitution

**Sponsors:**      Eckblad, Rolland, Martinez, Shea, Martin, Gomez-Tom, Capriolo, O'Connor, Johnson, Jr., Roundtree Jr. and Vincent

**Attachments:**      [26-341 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                 [26-341 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                                 [26-341 IGR AMENDMENT I \(Adopted: Vote 5-0\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)  
Supervisor Anne O'Connor, District 1 (virtually)  
Ethan T. Masarik, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Supervisor Eckblad requested unanimous consent to add Supervisors O'Connor, Johnson, Jr., Roundtree Jr., and Vincent as cosponsors of this Resolution. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairwoman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Vincent that this Resolution be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. No vote was taken due to a subsequent motion, which took precedence.

Supervisor Vincent introduced Intergovernmental Relations (IGR) Amendment I, which is attached to this file as "26-341 IGR AMENDMENT I."

A motion was made by Supervisor Vincent that this Resolution be **AMENDED** with IGR Amendment I. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

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

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

Items 3, 9 and 10 were considered together.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS) - 1**

- 9      [26-314](#)      A report from the Executive Director, Department of Health and Human Services, related to emergency supplemental food assistance funding.  
**(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [26-314 REPORT](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Emily Kenney, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Transformation, Department of Health and Human Services

Sumaiyah Clark, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity

Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

Supervisor Shawn Rolland, District 6 (virtually)

Supervisor Jack Eckblad, District 4 (virtually)

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Representative Margaret Arney, District 18, Wisconsin State Assembly

Nateya Taylor, FJC, MPCB

Melody McCurtis, FJC, MPCB, appeared and spoke for information only regarding the Informational Reports associated with Items 9 and 10.

Items 3, 9, and 10 were considered together.

A motion was made by Supervisor Johnson, Jr., that the Informational Reports associated with Items 9 and 10 be **RECOMMENDED TO BE RECEIVED AND PLACED ON FILE**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

**DHHS / OFFICE OF EQUITY /  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - 1**

- 10      [26-335](#)      A report from the Executive Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), the Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity, and the Director, Economic Development, providing recommendations for addressing food insecurity and apartheid in Milwaukee County **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [26-335 REPORT](#)  
                                  [26-335 GROCERY STORE CLOSURES 2023 - PRESENT](#)  
                                  [26-335 AGENCIES CONTACTED FOR FEEDBACK](#)  
                                  [26-335 POWERPOINT \(received 03/11/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Emily Kenney, Director of Strategic Initiatives and Transformation, Department of Health and Human Services  
Sumaiyah Clark, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity  
Chairwoman Marcelia Nicholson-Bovell, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
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**Aye:** 5 - Vincent, Johnson Jr., Shea, Roundtree Jr. and Gomez-Tom

**OFFICE OF GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS - 1**

- 11      [26-9](#)      From the Office of Government Affairs, providing an informational report regarding legislative updates. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments:      [26-9 MAY REPORT \(received 04/22/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Katie Domina, Government Affairs Director, Office of Government Affairs (OGA)  
Jamie S. Kuhn, County Board Liaison, OGA

The May Report for this Reference File was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**E-COMMENTS - 1**

- 12      [26-8](#)      eComments submitted to the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).

\*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments submitted via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 26-8 at the conclusion of each meeting.

Attachments:      [26-8 eComments \(05/22/26\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 12.

The May 22, 2026, record of eComments is attached to this file as "26-8 eComments (05/22/26)."

The May 22, 2026, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.**

**Length of Meeting: 3:02 p.m. to 5:23 p.m.**

**Adjourned,**

**Ethan T. Masarik  
Committee Coordinator  
Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk  
Committee on Intergovernmental Relations**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Intergovernmental Relations is  
Friday, June 12, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before  
THURSDAY, May 21, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., for the June meeting cycle.