



Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes Committee on Transportation and Transit

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Wednesday, January 21, 2026

9:30 AM

Room 203-R and Microsoft Teams
County Legislative Information Center

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 9:30 a.m.

Present 3 - Martinez, Bielinski and Shea

Excused 2 - Coggs-Jones and Eckblad

Supervisors Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones and Jack Eckblad were not present at the time the roll was called, but appeared virtually shortly thereafter.

Supervisors Juan Miguel Martinez, Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones, Justin Bielinski, and Jack Eckblad appeared virtually for today's meeting.

APPOINTMENT - 1

1 [26-236](#) [From the County Executive, appointing Joe Lamers to the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation for a four year term.]

Attachments: [26-236 APPOINTMENT LETTER](#)
[26-236 BIOGRAPHY/RESUME](#)

APPEARANCES:

David Crowley, Milwaukee County Executive, Office of the County Executive
Joseph "Joe" Lamers, Acting Director, Department of Transportation, and
Appointee

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinez that this Appointment be
RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIRMATION. The motion PREVAILED by the following
vote:

Aye: 5 - Martinez, Coggs-Jones, Bielinski, Eckblad and Shea

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (DOT) - 3

2 [26-222](#) From the Acting Director, Department of Transportation, providing an Informational Report Regarding the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) I-794 Lake Interchange Study.
(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [26-222 REPORT](#)
[26-222 POWERPOINT](#)
[26-222 REVISED POWERPOINT \(01/21/26\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 2.

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

David Pittman, Project Manager, I-794 Lake Interchange Study, Wisconsin Department of Transportation
Joe Ulatowski, Traffic Engineer, HNTB
Megan O'Connor, Senior Public Engagement and Communications Specialist, HNTB

Ms. O'Connor provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "26-222 REVISED POWERPOINT (01/21/26)."

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

3 [26-221](#) From the Acting Director, Department of Transportation, providing an Informational Report Regarding the Completion of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT) Reimagining WIS-175 Feasibility Study. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [26-221 REPORT](#)
[26-221 POWERPOINT](#)

There were no appearances for Item 3.

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Olubunmi Olapo, Engineering Chief, Southeast Region, Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT)
Douglas "Doug" Cain, Project Manager, Reimagining WIS-175 Study, WisDOT
Andre Ost, Senior Transportation Engineer, GRAEF

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

4 [26-220](#) From the Acting Director, Department of Transportation providing an Informational Report on a rail with trails shared bicycle and pedestrian feasibility study in the 30th Street Corridor from the Hank Aaron Trail to Havenwoods State Forest. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [26-220 REPORT](#)
[26-220 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCE:

Daniel "Danny" Park, Transportation Analyst, Director's Office, Department of Transportation

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

DOT / MILWAUKEE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM - 1

CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 5

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin State Statutes (State Statutes), for the purpose of the Committee receiving oral or written advice from legal counsel concerning strategy to be adopted with respect to pending or possible litigation with regard to the following matter(s).

At the conclusion of the closed session, the Committee may reconvene in open session to take whatever actions it may deem necessary.

A motion was made by Supervisor Coggs-Jones that this meeting be ADJOURNED INTO CLOSED SESSION to consider Item 5, under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(g), State Statutes. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Martinez, Coggs-Jones, Eckblad and Shea

No: 1 - Bielinski

5 [26-223](#) From the Acting Director, Department of Transportation and the President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee County Transit System, providing an Information Report regarding the Transit Plus Program including the Same Day Pilot. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

Attachments: [26-223 REPORT](#)

APPEARANCES:

Ethan T. Masarik, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk
Sandra "Sandy" Kellner, Chief Administrative Officer, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)
Frances "Fran" Musci, Director of Paratransit, MCTS

The following people appeared virtually and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Thomas "Tom" Stawicki, Legislative Director, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 998
Kevin Meyers, Member, Milwaukee County Paratransit Taxi Task Force (PTTF), Co-Chairperson, Transit Services Advisory Committee, and Transportation Advocacy Team, Independence First (IF)
Rebecca "Becky" Rabatin, Member, PTTF, and Community Action and Legislative Policy Analyst, IF

Item 5 was discussed in both Open and Closed Session.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The Committee was in Closed Session from 9:46 a.m. to 10:42 a.m.

The Committee reconvened in Open Session at 10:42 a.m.

A motion was made by Supervisor Coggs-Jones that the Committee RECONVENE in Open Session. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Martinez, Coggs-Jones, Bielinski, Eckblad and Shea

Upon reconvening in Open Session, the roll was taken and five members were present.

Roll Call at 10:42 a.m.

Present 5 - Martinez, Coggs-Jones, Bielinski, Eckblad and Shea

Supervisors Juan Miguel Martinez, Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones, Justin Bielinski, and Jack Eckblad appeared virtually for today's meeting.

**OFFICE OF ECONOMIC INCLUSION
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - 1**

6 [26-22](#) From the Director, Office of Economic Inclusion, Department of Administrative Services, providing an informational report regarding participation and departmental waivers of Milwaukee County's Targeted Business Enterprise Program, and Federally-funded projects relative to Disadvantaged Business Enterprises and Airport Concession Disadvantaged Business Enterprises. (**Considered by the Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Community, Environment, and Economic Development (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**)

Attachments: [26-22 JANUARY REPORT \(received 12/31/25\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Lamont Robinson, Director, Office of Economic Inclusion, Department of Administrative Services

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

E-COMMENTS - 1

7 [26-21](#) eComments submitted to the Committee on Transportation and Transit 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. 26-21 at the conclusion of each meeting.

Attachments: [26-21 eComments \(01/21/26\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 7.

The January 21, 2026, record of eComments is attached to this file as "26-21 eComments (01/21/26)."

The January 21, 2026, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

The foregoing items were not considered in agenda order.

Length of Meeting: 9:30 a.m. to 11:47 a.m.

Adjourned,

**Ethan T. Masarik
Committee Coordinator
Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk
Committee on Transportation and Transit**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Transportation and Transit is
Wednesday, March 4, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before
Friday, February 13, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., for the March meeting cycle.