

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: 8/2/2023

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chair, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center (CRC)

Subject: Requesting approval to amend Chapter 17.14 (22) of Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to add Weapon Officer's Pay

File Type: Action Report

REQUEST

The Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center (CRC), is requesting authorization to amend Chapter 17.14 (22) of Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to add Weapon Officer's Pay.

POLICY

Wisconsin State Statutes:	Wis Stats 59.17
Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	MCGO 17.14(22)
Specific Adopted Budget:	2023 Adopted Budget

BACKGROUND

The 2022 Milwaukee County Adopted budget included funding in the CRC's budget to pay \$500 for every Officer that was certified for firearms by the Wisconsin Department of Justice and held a commercial driver's license (CDL). The reason for the creation of this bonus was to compensate the officers for taking on the additional responsibility of having the firearms certification and a CDL.

The CRC has had trouble convincing officers to take on the additional responsibility as they see no personal benefit in doing so. The additional responsibility of driving a bus while armed and caring for the residents of Milwaukee County is a large request that we place on our Correctional Officers. Training that the officers attend to achieve the CDL license is in place to ensure that they are able to inspect the vehicles and see flaws in the vehicle before an accident happens. They are tested on not only the condition of the vehicle, but the driving skills needed to keep the residents of Milwaukee County safe. The \$500 bonus at the end of the year will assist with the growth and the retention of the needed position of "Weapons Officer" at the CRC.

RECOMMENDATION

The Superintendent, Milwaukee County Community Reintegration Center, is recommending amending Chapter 17.14 (22) of Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances to add Weapon Officer's Pay.

FISCAL EFFECT

A fiscal note is attached.

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