



Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs and Strategic Planning

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Thursday, June 12, 2025

1:00 PM

Room 203-R and Microsoft Teams
County Legislative Information Center

HYBRID MEETING

This meeting was held in Room 203-R. Due to technical difficulties, this meeting was not live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center:
<https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Call To Order

Roll Call at 1:03 p.m.

Present 5 - Gómez-Tom, Alexander, Martin, Vincent and Rolland

Supervisor Kathleen Vincent appeared virtually for today's meeting.

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES /
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE (DPRC) /
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - 1**

- 1 [25-414](#) A report from the Executive Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Executive Director, Department of Parks, and Executive Director, Department of Administrative Services, authorizing Milwaukee County to approve a ground lease agreement term sheet with Jewish Family Services, Inc. and its assigns and affiliates for development of a mixed-use senior/community center and affordable housing project at McGovern Park, and to take related actions to support the feasibility and advancement of the project **(Referred to the Committees on Parks and Culture; Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning; and Finance)**

Attachments: [25-414 REPORT](#)
 [25-414 RESOLUTION](#)
 [25-414 FISCAL NOTE](#)
 [25-414 AERIAL SITE MAP - EXHIBIT A](#)
 [25-414 GROUND LEASE TERM SHEET AND EXHIBIT B](#)
 [25-414 OOE COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY](#)
 [25-414 POWERPOINT \(06/10/25\)](#)
 [25-414 WRITTEN TESTIMONY \(06/10/25\)](#)
 [25-414 LETTER & PETITION \(06/10/25\)](#)
 [25-414 TEAMS MEETING LINK](#)
 [25-414 WRITTEN TESTIMONY II \(06/12/25\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (virtually)
Isaac Rowlett, Strategy Director, Strategy Division, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (OSBP)
Joseph “Joe” Lamers, Director, OSBP
Aaron Hertzberg, Director, Department of Administrative Services (DAS)
Shakita LaGrant-McClain, Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)
James “Jim” Mathy, Administrator, Housing Services, DHHS (virtually)
Sumaiyah Clark, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity
Celia Benton, Director, Economic Development, DAS
Kelsey A. Evans, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of this Action Report:
Daniel Fleischman, Vice President of Housing and Residential Services, Jewish Family Services, Inc.
Dr. Janice "Jan" Wilberg, Chairperson, Commission on Aging (COA)

Eugene "Gene" R. Guskowski, Legislative Officer and Chairperson, Senior
Center Committee, COA
Crocker Stephenson, Member, COA
Denise Callaway, Chairperson, Advisory Council, and Member, COA

The following people appeared and spoke against this Action Report:

Joan Snowden
Jeff Martinka, Board Member, Preserve Our Parks (POP)
Maria Elena Calhoun
Dain Maddox
Michael Carrier
Patrick Small
Minnie Harmon
William "Bill" Lynch, Board Member, POP

Dr. Janice "Jan" Wilberg distributed materials to Committee members, which
are attached to this file as "25-414 WRITTEN TESTIMONY II (06/12/25)."

Brian Peters, Advocacy and Accessibility Services Specialist, Independence
First, registered to speak in favor of this Action Report, but did not appear
before the Committee.

A motion was made by Supervisor Vincent that this Action Report be LAID
OVER FOR ONE MEETING. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 1 - Vincent

No: 4 - Gómez-Tom, Alexander, Martin and Rolland

A motion was made by Supervisor Gómez-Tom that this Action Report be
RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Gómez-Tom and Rolland

No: 3 - Alexander, Martin and Vincent

A motion was made by Supervisor Alexander that this Action Report be
RECOMMENDED FOR REJECTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following
vote:

Aye: 3 - Alexander, Martin and Vincent

No: 2 - Gómez-Tom and Rolland

The Committee recessed from 1:30 p.m., to 1:47 p.m., due to technical difficulties. Upon reconvening at 1:47 p.m., the roll was taken and all members were present.

Roll Call at 1:47 p.m.

Present 5 - Gómez-Tom, Alexander, Martin, Vincent and Rolland

Supervisor Kathleen Vincent appeared virtually for today's meeting.

OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL - 1

- 2 [25-327](#) 22-104 (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [25-327 REPORT](#)
 [25-327 OCC STRATEGIC GOALS](#)
 [25-327 POWERPOINT \(06/12/25\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Scott F. Brown, Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

Mr. Brown provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "25-327 POWERPOINT (06/12/25)."

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF - 1

- 3 [25-328](#) From the Sheriff, Office of the Sheriff, the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office 2024 Annual Report. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: [25-328 REPORT](#)
 [25-328 POWERPOINT](#)
 [25-328 MCSO STRATEGIC GOALS \(received 06/10/25\)](#)

APPEARANCES:

Dr. Denita Ball, Milwaukee County Sheriff, Office of the Sheriff (Sheriff)
Brian Barkow, Chief Deputy, Sheriff

Patricia "Pat" Carravetta, Public Safety Fiscal Administrator, Sheriff, appeared before the Committee, but did not speak.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

OFFICE OF EQUITY - 1

- 4 [25-338](#) From the Office of Equity an Informational Report of OOE 2024 Annual Report (**INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE**)

Attachments: [25-338 REPORT](#)
 [25-338 OOE STRATEGIC GOALS](#)
 [25-338 OOE 2023-2027 STRATEGIC PLAN](#)
 [25-338 POWERPOINT \(received 06/09/25\)](#)

APPEARANCE:

Sumaiyah Clark, Chief Equity Officer, Office of Equity

Ms. Clark provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "25-338 POWERPOINT (06/12/25)."

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

DPRC - 1

- 5 [25-370](#) From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report on how Milwaukee County Parks set and achieved its 2024 goals. (**INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE**)

Attachments: [25-370 REPORT](#)
 [25-370 DPRC 3-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN](#)
 [25-370 POWERPOINT](#)

APPEARANCES:

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) (virtually)

Peter Bratt, Director of Operations and Skilled Trades, DPRC (virtually)

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

E-COMMENTS - 1

- 6 [25-60](#) eComments submitted to the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning 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. 25-60 at the conclusion of each meeting.

Attachments: [25-60 eComments \(06/12/25\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 6.

The June 12, 2025, record of eComments is attached to this file as "25-60 eComments (06/12/25)."

The June 12, 2025, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

Length of Meeting: 1:03 p.m. to 5:48 p.m.

Adjourned,

**Kelsey A. Evans
Committee Coordinator
Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk
Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning, is Thursday, July 10, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before WEDNESDAY, June 18, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., for the July meeting cycle.