COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTER-OFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

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TO:

Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairperson, County Board of Supervisors

Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairperson, Transportation, Public Works & Transit Committee

FROM:

Gregory G. High, Director, AE&ES Section, DAS – Facilities Management

SUBJECT:

Summary of Fund Transfers for Consideration at the Finance and Audit Committee September 2012 - Informational Report

Description
1. DAS-AE & ES

Amount \$1,600,000.00

The Architecture, Engineering and Environmental Services Director, Department of Administrative Service – Facilities Management is requesting an Appropriation Transfer Request to provide funding to create Capital Project Conversion from Steam Heat at Fleet Management and Vel Phillips Juvenile Justice Center. This is required in order to meet the timeline land parcel transaction between Milwaukee County and the WISDOT for the Highway 45 Reconstruction project. It is critical to fund the planning, design and construction effort now.

Description
2. DAS-AE & ES

Amount \$220,000.00

The Interim Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture is requesting an appropriation Transfer Request to provide expenditure authority and revenue for the Menomonee River Parkway Wetland's Restoration. The Fund for Lake Michigan awarded Milwaukee County a grant for the restoration of a wetland on the Menomonee River Parkway. The project will improve storm water quality and habitat for birds and other wildlife.

Description
3. DAS-AE & ES

Amount \$100,000.00

The Interim Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture is requesting an appropriation Transfer Request to provide expenditure authority and revenue for the McKinley Marina Best Management Practices (BMP). The Fund for Lake Michigan awarded Milwaukee County a grant to support the McKinley Marina BMP's and Lake Michigan Water Quality Improvement Project. The project will conduct a study to improve storm water runoff quality at McKinley Marina.

Description
4. DAS-AE & ES

Amount \$42,000.00

The Architecture, Engineering and Environmental Services Director, Department of Administrative Service – Facilities Management is requesting an Appropriation Transfer Request to change the scope of the War Memorial Window Replacement and Repair project. The 2011 appropriation was to address the existing window curtain wall at the east elevation of the Kahler addition to the War Memorial by replacing and resealing the windows. This repair would improve the ability at the windows to resist moisture and prevent water infiltration preventing interior damage.

Currently the Art Museum is planning on adding an atrium to the East side of the Kahler Addition of the War Memorial. With that in mind it would not be prudent to repair those windows on the east side of the building considering the changes that are proposed to take place. Rather, the War Memorial which has experienced the same conditions on at the North and South Art Museum office windows would like to request a change in scope and apply the funding to the North and South windows. Repair of the North and South windows has been included in their 5-year plan.

Description
5. DAS-AE & ES

Amount \$132,000.00

The Interim Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture and the Director of the Milwaukee County Zoo is requesting an appropriation Transfer Request to provide expenditure authority for the Grant Park Pedestrian Bridges and the Zoo Well Improvements projects.

In July of 2012, the Zoo's deep well pump and piping failed and was repaired as an emergency purchase following the rules of Section 1.04 of the Milwaukee County Administrative Manual and Chapter 32 of the Ordinances of Milwaukee County. The Zoo has two water systems. One system supplies all the buildings with City of Milwaukee drinking water and the other system supplies well water to animal exhibits. A failure occurred with the pump that lifts the well water from deep underground. The well pump was repaired and six hundred and thirty feet of corroded piping was replaced. When the well system is out of service, it costs the Zoo approximately \$15,000 more per month to purchase additional City water. This appropriation transfer will provide \$72,230 for the Zoo Well Improvements Project so that these expenses can be financed from general obligation bonds within the County's capital program.

In the 4th quarter of 2011, appropriation transfers provided \$300,000 of expenditure authority for the replacement of two pedestrian bridges at Grant Park. The two bridges had experienced significant structural issues and were removed. These bridges were rustic wooden structures and are reminiscent of National Park Service bridge and boardwalk structures of the early to mid 1900's. The design of the project has been completed and the project has been bid out. Bids for the project came in higher than anticipated due to very difficult construction access to the bridges that are located in heavily wooded, steep ravines. This appropriation transfer will provide \$60,000 for the

Grant Park Pedestrian Bridges Project so that there are sufficient funds to complete the project. Assuming approval of the appropriation transfer, construction of the bridges will be completed by the first quarter of 2013.

Approved by:

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