

Milwaukee County

Meeting Minutes

Committee on Finance

Chairperson: Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. Vice Chairperson: Steve F. Taylor Supervisor Sequanna Taylor Supervisor Shawn Rolland Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez Supervisor Justin Bielinski Supervisor Anne O'Connor

Committee Coordinator: Allyson R. Smith (278-4225) Director of Research and Policy: Steve Cady, (414) 278-4347

| Thursday, July 17, 2025 | 9:00 AM | Room 203-R and Microsoft Teams County Legislative Information Center |
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| | HYBRID MEETING | |

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

Call To Order

Roll Call at 9:02 a.m.

Present 6 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

Excused 1 - Rolland

Supervisors Sequanna Taylor (5) and Juan Miguel Martinez appeared virtually for today's meeting.

Supervisor Shawn Rolland was not present at the time the roll was called, but appeared virtually and in-person later in the meeting.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE - 1

1 25-458 2025 Adopted Budget Amendment 06: From the Executive Director of Parks requesting authorization to make a capital funding commitment to the restoration of the Mitchell Park Domes contingent upon further approvals of a Lease Agreement, Development Agreement, and other necessary agreements between Milwaukee County and the Milwaukee Domes Alliance. (Referred to the Committees on Parks and Culture; and Finance)

 Attachments:
 25-458 REPORT

 25-458 RESOLUTION

 25-458 FISCAL NOTE

 25-458 POWERPOINT (07/08/25)

 25-458 DOMES REIMAGINED (07/08/25)

 25-458 P&C AMENDMENT I (Adopted; Vote 7-0)

 25-458 COUNTY BOARD RESOLUTION (P&C)

 25-458 FINANCE AMENDMENT I (Adopted; Vote 7-0)

APPEARANCES:

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture (DPRC) James "Jim" Tarantino, Deputy Director, DPRC

Christa Beall Diefenbach, Executive Director, Milwaukee Domes Alliance (MDA), appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Action Report.

The following people appeared and spoke in favor of this Action Report: Beverly Smiley, Board of Directors, President, MDA Andrew Holman, Board of Directors, Treasurer, MDA William Lynch, Preserve Our Parks

Margaret Wittig, Secretary, Board of Directors, MDA, registered in favor of this Action Report, but did not speak.

Supervisor Martinez introduced Finance Amendment I, which is attached to this file as "25-458 FINANCE AMENDMENT I."

Supervisor Rolland was not present at the time the Roll was called on this Amendment, but later requested unanimous consent to be recorded as voting in the affirmative. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinez that this Action Report be AMENDED with Finance Amendment I. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Supervisor Rolland was not present at the time the roll was called on this Action Report, but later requested unanimous consent to be added as voting in the affirmative. There being no objections by Committee members, it was so ordered by the Chairman.

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinez that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION AS AMENDED. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

No: 1 - Taylor (17)

MILWAUKEE COUNTY TRANSIT SYSTEM - 1

2 25-473 From the Director, Department of Transportation and the Interim President & CEO, Milwaukee County Transit System providing an Informational Report on MCTS' Projected Year End Deficit for 2025. (Considered by the Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: 25-473 REPORT

25-473 POWERPOINT (received 07/08/25)

APPEARANCES:

Eduardo "Eddie" Santiago, Interim Deputy Director, Department of Transportation (DOT), and Director, Highway Maintenance Division, DOT Sandra "Sandy" Kellner, Interim President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS), and Chief Administrative Officer, MCTS

Alexander Corona, Chief Financial Officer, MCTS Kevin Pumphrey, Chief Operating Officer, MCTS

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

Thomas "Tom" Stawicki, Legislative Director, Amalgamated Transit Union, Local 998 (virtually)

Kevin Meyers, Member, Milwaukee County Paratransit Taxi Task Force, and Community Action and Legislative Policy Analyst, Independence First (virtually)

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

RESOLUTION - 1

3 <u>25-479</u> A resolution requesting the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS) to develop a data-informed bus fare compliance strategy to strengthen revenue and ensure long-term sustainability (**Referred to the**

Committees on Transportation and Transit; and Finance)

<u>Sponsors:</u> Rolland, Eckblad, Vincent, Logsdon and Capriolo

Attachments: 25-479 RESOLUTION 25-479 FISCAL NOTE

There were no appearances for Item 3.

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

Aye: 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

COMMUNITY REINTEGRATION CENTER - 2

4 <u>25-354</u> Professional Service Agreement with the Benedict Center, Inc. (Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance)

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>25-354 REPORT</u> <u>25-354 RESOLUTION</u> <u>25-354 FISCAL NOTE</u>

APPEARANCE:

Anthony Dodd, Sr., Assistant Superintendent, Community Reintegration Center (CRC)

Michael "Mike" Bickerstaff, Fiscal Administrator, CRC, appeared but did not speak regarding this Action Report

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

5 <u>25-484</u> Trinity Contract Amendment (Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY per Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance)

 Attachments:
 25-484 REPORT

 25-484 RESOLUTION
 25-484 FISCAL NOTE

APPEARANCE:

Kelly Pethke, Administrator, Children, Youth, and Family Services, Department of Health and Human Services (virtually)

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

25-345

Items 6 and 7 were considered together.

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF - 1

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From the Chief Deputy, Office of the Sheriff, a request to retroactively amend and extend an Amendment 3 to the intergovernmental cooperation agreement with Racine County from January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2025, pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 66.0301 and 302.44 for the temporary housing of certain jail occupants. (Referred to the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services [JLEGS]; and Finance) (07/15/25 JLEGS: Laid Over to the Call of the Chairperson) (07/17/25 FINANCE: Laid Over to the Call of the Chairperson)

 Attachments:
 25-345 REPORT

 25-345 RESOLUTION

 25-345 FISCAL NOTE

 25-345 AMENDMENT NO. 3

APPEARANCES:

Brian Barkow, Chief Deputy, Office of the Sheriff (Sheriff) David Rugaber, Deputy Director, Sheriff Supervisor Sky Z. Capriolo, District 15 William "Bill" Davidson, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel Stephen "Steve" Cady, Director of Research and Policy, Research Services Division, Office of the Comptroller Allyson R. Smith, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Telia Evans, Captain, Sheriff, appeared but did not speak regarding this Action Report.

Items 6 and 7 were considered together.

A motion was made by Supervisor Rolland that this Action Report be LAID OVER TO THE CALL OF THE CHAIRPERSON. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

CLOSED SESSION: ITEM 7

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(d), 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 matters concerning crime detection or prevention 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.

Item 7 was discussed in both Open and Closed Session.

A motion was made by Supervisor O'Connor to ADJOURN INTO CLOSED SESSION to consider Item 7, under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(d), State Statutes. The motion prevailed by the following vote:

RESOLUTION - 1

7 25-501 A resolution authorizing an appropriation transfer of \$252,380 from Agency 194-1945 - Appropriation for Contingencies to Agency 400 -Office of the Sheriff for the acquisition of a new body scanner and trained canine to enhance screening procedures of all persons in Milwaukee County's custody and care (Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY per Section 59.60(8), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance)

| <u>Sponsors:</u> Capriolo, Alexander, Rolland | and Vincent |
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 Attachments:
 25-501 RESOLUTION

 25-501 FISCAL NOTE

 25-501 FINANCE AMENDMENT I (Adopted; Vote 5-2)

 25-501 FINANCE AMENDMENT II (Failed; Vote 3-4)

APPEARANCES:

Brian Barkow, Chief Deputy, Office of the Sheriff (Sheriff) David Rugaber, Deputy Director, Sheriff Supervisor Sky Z. Capriolo, District 15 William "Bill" Davidson, Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel Stephen "Steve" Cady, Director of Research and Policy, Research Services Division, Office of the Comptroller Allyson R. Smith, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Telia Evans, Captain, Sheriff, appeared but did not speak regarding this Action Report.

Items 6 and 7 were considered together.

Item 7 was discussed in both Open and Closed Session.

Supervisor Bielinski introduced Finance Amendment II, which is attached to this file as "25-501 FINANCE AMENDMENT II."

A motion was made by Supervisor Bielinski that this Resolution be AMENDED with Finance Amendment II. The motion FAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Taylor (5), Martinez and Bielinski

No: 4 - Taylor (17), Rolland, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

Supervisor Rolland introduced Finance Amendment I, which is attached to ths file as "25-501 FINANCE AMENDMENT I."

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

Aye: 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

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

- Aye: 5 Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.
- No: 2 Martinez and Bielinski

The Committee was in Closed Session from 11:32 a.m. to 12:05 p.m.

The Committee Reconvened in Open Session at 12:05 p.m.

A motion was made by Supervisor O'Connor that the Committee RECONVENE in Open Session. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

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

Roll Call at 12:05 p.m.

Present 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

Supervisors Sequanna Taylor (5) and Juan Miguel Martinez appeared virtually for today's meeting.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES - 2

8 <u>25-468</u>

From the Economic Development Director, Department of Administrative Services requesting authorization to create a new bank account for receipt and disbursement of funds received from a WEDC grant for the Building Bridges Small Business Grant program (Referred to the Committees on Community, Environment, and Economic Development; and Finance)

<u>Attachments:</u> <u>25-468 REPORT</u> <u>25-468 RESOLUTION</u> <u>25-468 FISCAL NOTE</u>

APPEARANCE:

Celia Benton, Director, Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Taylor (17) that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

9 25-467 From the Economic Development Director, requesting approval to modify the Contribution Agreement, process appropriation transfers needed to modify budgets, and commit to capital funding in 2027 and 2028 associated with changes resulting from the 3rd Amendment to the lease between Milwaukee County and the Marcus Center for Performing Arts. (Referred to the Committee on Parks and Culture for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY per Section 59.60(8), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance) (07/17/25 FINANCE: Laid over to the September Meeting Cycle).

 Attachments:
 25-467 REPORT

 25-467 RESOLUTION

 25-467 FISCAL NOTE

 25-467 POWERPOINT

APPEARANCES:

Celia Benton, Director, Economic Development (ED), Department of Administrative Services (DAS) (virtually) Erica Goblet, Project Manager, ED, DAS Joseph "Joe" Lamers, Director, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Action Report: Kevin Giglinto, President and Chief Executive Officer, Marcus Center for the Performing Arts (Marcus Center) Katie Dillow, Chief Financial Officer, Marcus Center

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

A motion was made by Supervisor Martinez that this Action Report be RECOMMENDED FOR REJECTION. The motion was later withdrawn, therefore no vote was taken.

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

Aye: 4 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Martinez and Bielinski

No: 3 - Rolland, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

RESOLUTION - 1

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 25-504
 A resolution authorizing the transfer of \$241,418 from Org. Unit 194-1945

 -- Appropriation for Contingencies and \$100,000 from WP0760 - McKinley Beach Safety Improvement to WP0778 - Bender Park Boat

 Launch for the purpose of contracting with a vendor for sediment
 abatement

Sponsors: Taylor (17)

Attachments: 25-504 RESOLUTION 25-504 FISCAL NOTE

APPEARANCE:

Sarah Toomsen, Director of Planning, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture

A motion was made by Supervisor Taylor (17) that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

OFFICE OF STRATEGY, BUDGET, AND PERFORMANCE - 3

1125-474From the Director Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance providing
an appropriation transfer packet for the July 2025 cycle.

Attachments: 25-474 DRAFT TRANSFER PACKET

25-474 REVISED DRAFT TRANSFER PACKET (received 07/02/25)

APPEARANCE:

Joseph "Joe" Lamers, Director, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance

A motion was made by Supervisor Rolland that this Transfer Packet be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:

12 25-469 Report from the Director, Office of Strategy, Budget and Performance, Providing an Informational Report on Opioid Projects funded in Cohort One (FY23-25) and Cohort Two (FY24-26) (Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

> <u>Attachments:</u> 25-469 REPORT 25-469 POWERPOINT 25-469 OPIOID FUNDS 2024 ANNUAL REPORT (54 pages)

APPEARANCE:

Ashley Adsit, Director of Project and Performance Management, Project Management Office, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Taylor (17) that this Informational Report be RECOMMEND FOR ADOPTION. He later withdrew the motion, therefore no vote was taken.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

- 13 25-465 Report from the Director, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance, requesting allocation of \$9,103,671 in Opioid Settlement Funds to support recommended projects in FY26-FY2 (Referred to the Committee on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY per Section 59.60(8), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance)
 - Attachments:25-465 REPORT25-465 RESOLUTION25-465 FISCAL NOTE25-465 OPIOID SUMMARY PROPOSAL CHART25-465 POWERPOINT

APPEARANCES:

Ashley Adsit, Director of Project and Performance Management, Project Management Office (PMO), Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (OSBP) (virtually) Heather Wolfgram, Project Manager, PMO, OSBP (virtually) Dr. Wieslawa Tlomak, Chief Medical Examiner, Office of the Medical Examiner (virtually) Joseph "Joe" Lamers, Director, Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance

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

OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER - 3

14 <u>25-503</u> From the Financial Services Director, Office of the Comptroller, providing financial information related to the County Board's 2026 Requested Budget (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: 25-503 REPORT

APPEARANCE:

Cynthia "CJ" Pahl, Financial Services Director, Office of the Comptroller

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

15 <u>25-74</u> From the Milwaukee County Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller, providing an informational report regarding the 2025 year-end fiscal projection for Milwaukee County.

(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: 25-74 JULY REPORT (received 07/15/25)

APPEARANCE:

Cynthia "CJ" Pahl, Financial Services Director, Office of the Comptroller

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

16 25-73 From the Milwaukee County Comptroller, Office of the Comptroller, providing an informational report regarding contract notifications received pursuant to Sections 44.09(e), 46.09(8), and 56.30(8) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances. (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

> Attachments: 25-73 JULY REPORT (received 07/14/25) 25-73 JULY ATTACHMENT 3 (received 07/14/25)

APPEARANCE:

Alexis Gassenhuber, Contracts Coordinator, Office of the Comptroller (virtually)

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

OFFICE OF CORPORATION COUNSEL - 2

Items 17 and 18 were considered together.

CLOSED SESSION: ITEMS 17 AND 18

The Committee may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Section 19.85(1)(g), Wisconsin 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.

The Committee did not adjourn into Closed Session to discuss Items 17 and 18.

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 25-29
 From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an informational report regarding the status of pending litigation.

 (Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)

Attachments: 25-29 JULY REPORT (received 06/18/25)

APPEARANCE:

Melinda Lawrence, Interim Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel

Items 17 and 18 were considered together.

The Committee did not adjourn into Closed Session to discuss Items 17 and 18.

The July Reports for the Reference Files associated with Items 17 and 18 were DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

18 From Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel, providing an <u>25-30</u> informational report regarding claim and litigation settlement payments. (Considered by the Committees on Judiciary, Law Enforcement, and General Services; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE) Attachments: 25-30 JULY REPORT (received 06/18/25) **APPEARANCE:** Melinda Lawrence, Interim Deputy Corporation Counsel, Office of Corporation Counsel Items 17 and 18 were considered together. The Committee did not adjourn into Closed Session to discuss Items 17 and 18. The July Reports for the Reference Files associated with Items 17 and 18 were DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN. E-COMMENTS - 1 19 25-72 eComments submitted to the Committee on Finance 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. 25-72 at the conclusion of each meeting. There were no appearances for Item 19.

There were no eComments submitted for the July 17, 2025, meeting.

The July 17, 2025, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

Length of Meeting: 9:02 a.m. to 2:05 p.m.

Adjourned,

Allyson R. Smith Committee Coordinator Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk Committee on Finance Deadline for the next meeting:

<u>The next regular meeting for the Committee on Finance is Thursday, September 11, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.</u>

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before Friday, August 15, 2025, at 5:00 p.m., for the September meeting cycle.