

From the Director of Audits, Office of the Comptroller, Audit Services Division submitting an audit report titled "Milwaukee County Transit System Governance: Opportunities for Enhanced Oversight include Additional Sunlight, Clearly Defined Roles, and Detailed Fiscal Reporting for the Quasi-Governmental Entity," by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, in June 2025, a \$10.9 million deficit for Milwaukee County's (the County) Transit/Paratransit system was announced via a press release, surprising many County officials; and

WHEREAS, on June 27, 2025, due to a sudden change in the financial situation of the Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS), the Office of the Comptroller (Comptroller) requested an audit examining MCTS's governance and oversight structure; and

WHEREAS, the Audit Services Division, Comptroller, undertook the requested audit, completing it in May 2026 and issuing an audit report, titled "Milwaukee County Transit System Governance: Opportunities for Enhanced Oversight include Additional Sunlight, Clearly Defined Roles, and Detailed Fiscal Reporting for the Quasi-Governmental Entity" (the Report); and

WHEREAS, 15 recommendations are provided in the Report; and

WHEREAS, a combined management response to the Report recommendations was received from the leadership of the Department of Transportation and MCTS, and it is included as Exhibit 2 of the Report; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Audit, at its meeting of June 8, 2026, recommended adoption of File No. 26-499 (vote 6-0); and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, at its meeting of June 25, 2026, referred File No. 26-499 to the Committees on Transportation and Transit (T&T); and Finance (Finance); and

WHEREAS, T&T, at its meeting of July 15, 2026, recommended adoption of File No. 26-499 (vote 5-0); and

WHEREAS, Finance, at its meeting of July 23, 2026, recommended adoption of File No. 26-499 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors concurs with the
46 recommendations contained in the audit report of the Audit Services Division, Office of
47 the Comptroller, titled "Milwaukee County Transit System Governance: Opportunities for
48 Enhanced Oversight include Additional Sunlight, Clearly Defined Roles, and Detailed
49 Fiscal Reporting for the Quasi-Governmental Entity."

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