



COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE  
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION  
Office of the Comptroller  
**Scott B. Manske, Comptroller**

DATE: March 12, 2020

TO: Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Scott B. Manske, Comptroller  
Cynthia (C.J.) Pahl, Financial Services Manager

SUBJECT: 2020 Fiscal Projection for Milwaukee County – **(For Information Only)**

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**Policy Issue**

Wisconsin Statutes Section 59.255(2) and County Ordinance Section 56.02(2) require the Comptroller to provide a monthly update of the fiscal condition of the County.

**2020 Year-end Fiscal Projection as of February 1, 2020**

With only one month of fiscal activity reported, it is too early to issue a projection on the year-end position of the County. As of period 1, all departments are reporting at least a breakeven.


The previous fiscal projection for 2020 cited potential areas of concern that may impact the County's year-end position. These areas included revenues for the Milwaukee County Zoo which could fall short of budget and a centralized abatement to account for higher vacancy and turnover experience than what is generally budgeted. The Comptroller will continue to monitor revenues and expenditures at the Milwaukee County Zoo as well as countywide salary expenditures to determine any impact on the County's fiscal condition.

The Contingency Fund's balance, if unused, falls to the bottom line at the end of the fiscal year and is available to offset any potential issues. As of today, the Contingency Fund has an unallocated balance of \$4,205,575 as shown in the table on the following page.

<b>Unallocated Contingency Fund</b>	
<b>2020 Adopted Balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,355,575</b>
<i>Approved Actions</i>	
Parks Amenities Matching Fund (sPark) (File 20-128)	\$ (100,000)
Voter registration and education outreach (File 20-146)	\$ (50,000)
<b>Current Available Balance</b>	<b>\$ 4,205,575</b>
<b>Allocated Contingency Fund</b>	
<b>2020 Adopted Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2,150,000</b>
<i>Allocated Items</i>	
Low-interest revolving loan for lead abatement 1A005	\$ 550,000
HOC dorm closure backup for electronic monitoring initiative 1A023	\$ 1,500,000
Repair lakefront paths if high water/freezing 1A029	\$ 100,000
<i>Approved Actions</i>	
Milwaukee County Lead Remediation Low Interest Loan Program (File 20-121)	\$ (550,000)
<b>Current Available Balance</b>	<b>\$ 1,600,000</b>

### Committee Action

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