

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

Inter-Office Communication

Date: January 20, 2026

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

From: Katie Domina, Director, Office of Government Affairs

Subject: A Request from the Director of the Office of Government Affairs for Passive Review of a Professional Services Agreement with Foley & Lardner LLP with a total contractual fee of \$65,000.

File Type: Passive Review

REQUEST

Request to amend a professional services contract with Foley & Lardner LLP ("Foley") with a contractual fee of \$65,000. In combination with the current Foley contract, the aggregate value is \$105,000.

POLICY

Per Wis. Stat. 59.52(31), the Director of the Office of Government Affairs is requesting passive review authorization for this professional services contract.

Wisconsin State Statutes:	59.52(31)
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BACKGROUND

The Office of Government Affairs currently holds a professional services contract, through the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, with Foley for advocacy surrounding the state's biennial budget and Milwaukee County services and programs impacted by state statute. The current contract was entered into in September 2025 and expires at the end of February 2026.

Foley has unique and specific expertise in lobbying in Wisconsin and the firm will continue to represent Milwaukee County before the State of Wisconsin, ensuring the County's interests are effectively communicated and advocated for.

ALIGNMENT TO STRATEGIC PLAN

3B: Enhance the County's fiscal health and sustainability

FISCAL EFFECT

A fund transfer will be required within the Office of Government Affairs from salary to commodities and services, but sufficient funds are available.

TERMS

In effect until December 31, 2026.

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

Katie Domina, Director, Office of Government Affairs

PREPARED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

Katie Domina

Katie Domina, Director, Office of Government Affairs

ATTACHMENTS

Draft Agreement

Fiscal Note

cc: David Crowley, County Executive
Liz Sumner, Comptroller
Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., Chairman, Committee on Finance
Finance Committee Members
Mary Jo Meyers, Chief of Staff, Milwaukee County Executive
Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff, County Board of Supervisors