

From the Superintendent House of Correction, Sheriff’s Office, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), and the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (SBP) requesting \$6.3 million of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars for the purchase and/or replacement of kitchen equipment and traying equipment across corrections facilities, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021 was signed into law by President Biden on March 11, 2021, in efforts to support individuals, families, businesses, and governments impacted by the Coronavirus Disease pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County (the County) will receive \$183.7 million in ARPA funding, through the ARPA State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors adopted File No. 21-555: “A resolution to create a Task Force (ARPA Task Force) to review and recommend funding allocations to the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors for monies received by the County in the Federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021”; and

WHEREAS, of the County’s \$183.7 million of ARPA aid, approximately \$115.7 million has been recommended by the ARPA Task Force for Revenue Loss Recovery projects, which may include expenditures being considered by the Revenue Loss Recovery Subgroup, such as addressing the backlog of capital projects and deferred maintenance; and

WHEREAS, kitchen equipment in corrections facilities across departments is aged and in need of replacement; and

WHEREAS, the condition of existing condition equipment results in routine and emergency maintenance needs, difficulty obtaining parts, and inability to maintain hot and cold food temperatures, which impacts the quality of food provided; and

WHEREAS, the requested kitchen project is not bond eligible, and requires cash financing; and

WHEREAS, replacement of kitchen equipment and food traying equipment was requested in the 2022 Adopted Budget, but not funded due to limited availability of cash financing for capital projects; and

WHEREAS, a new Request for Proposals for the County’s correctional food service provider is pending decisions on funding for kitchen equipment and traying equipment; and

47 WHEREAS, funding of a capital project for kitchen equipment and traying
48 equipment will result in reduced operating costs in the future, including reductions in
49 annual maintenance and repair costs, as well as a reduction in the price per meal when
50 compared to the cost that would be needed if the County's food service vendor is
51 required to replace equipment; and

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53 WHEREAS, replacing kitchen equipment and traying equipment will result in an
54 improvement in the reliability of food service equipment, including the ability to control
55 food temperatures; and

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57 WHEREAS, a consultant study of overall food services was conducted in 2021,
58 and a key finding of the study included a need to replace critical kitchen equipment
59 beyond its useful life, as necessary for continued efficient food service operations; and

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61 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of March 17, 2022,
62 recommended adoption of File No. 22-412 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

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64 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board)
65 authorizes capital project funding in the amount of \$6,268,000, to purchase and/or
66 replace kitchen and traying equipment across corrections facilities at the House of
67 Correction, Sheriff's Office, and Department of Health and Human Services; and

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69 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes use of American
70 Rescue Plan Act funding in the amount of \$6,268,000, to purchase and/or replace
71 kitchen and traying equipment; and

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73 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board authorizes the Office of
74 Strategy, Budget and Performance, working in conjunction with the Office of the
75 Comptroller, to process an administrative appropriation transfer in the amount of
76 \$6,268,000, to be allocated to the appropriate capital project accounts related to kitchen
77 and traying equipment cited in this resolution.

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