

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE
Inter-Office Communication

Date: November 7, 2022

To: Marcelia Nicholson, Chairperson, County Board of Supervisors

From: Donna Brown-Martin, Director, Department of Transportation

Subject: Request to Unfund 3.0 Vacant FTE Fire Fighter positions and Create 3.0 FTE Fire Fighter In-Charge positions in Milwaukee County Department of Transportation - Airport Division

File Type: Action Report

REQUEST

The Milwaukee County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) – Airport Division requests to Abolish 3.0 Fire Fighter positions in Pay Grade 17B (Vacant) and Create 3.0 FTE Fire Fighter In-Charge positions Pay Range 171C.

POLICY

Wisconsin State Statutes:	59.22
Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances:	Chapter 1
Specific Adopted Budget:	2023

BACKGROUND

The department is requesting 3.0 Firefighter Equipment Operator positions be unfunded for one (1) year and 3.0 Firefighter Equipment Operator In-Charge be created for a Pilot Program to ease Shift Captain fatigue and decrease overtime expenditures. When the Shift Captain are on leave, the department authorizes overtime to meet required minimum staffing levels. Overtime costs have cost \$60,000. Creating three Firefighter Equipment Operator In-Charge positions will provide a lower cost staffing option. These positions are part of Milwaukee County Firefighters Local 1072. Local 1072 and Milwaukee County, per the signed Collateral Agreement, have agreed to terms the Pilot Program, including creation of the 3.0 Firefighter Equipment Operator In-Charge Positions.

FISCAL EFFECT

There is no tax levy impact to the Airport, or the County related to this request.

ATTACHMENTS:

A Fiscal Note and Resolution accompany this Report

VIRTUAL MEETING INVITES

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Clerk