04-14-11 FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

File No. 11-1

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Action Required

Finance Committee

County Board (Majority Vote)

WHEREAS, your committee has received from the Department of Administrative Services, Fiscal Affairs, departmental requests for transfer to the 2011 capital improvement accounts and the Director finds that the best interests of Milwaukee County will be served by allowance of such transfers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director, Department of Administrative Services, is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2011 capital improvement appropriations:

		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
1)	WA165011 GMIA Taxiway B Segment Reconstruction		
	8527 – Land Improvements (CAP)		\$827,000
	2699 - Other Fed Grants & Reim		\$1,605,000
	2299 - Other State Grants & Reim	\$2,106,100	
	4707 – Contribution from Reserves	\$325,900	

An appropriation transfer of \$2,432,000 is requested by the Director of the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW) to provide additional expenditure authority, and revenues, and to realign existing revenues for capital project WA165011 – GMIA Taxiway B Segment Reconstruction.

A December 2010 appropriation transfer established \$2,140,000 of expenditure authority and revenue for the creation of Project WA165011. The project was being created in order to resurface a segment of Taxiway B, which borders runway 7R/25L and is used by aircraft that utilize the runway. According to the department, the asphalt surface of the taxiway is nearing the end of its useful life and has become damaged by water runoff that has been exacerbated by minor flooding that occurred in 2010. The scope of the project included the replacement of the degraded asphalt surface with a concrete surface that will match the bordering runway and apron.

Subsequent to the approval of the appropriation transfer, it was discovered that a wingspan restriction on this taxiway could be eliminated if the taxiway could be shifted slightly to the north by approximately forty-five feet. Eliminating the wingspan restriction on the taxiway would allow more aircraft to utilize the taxiway and relieves the air traffic controllers from monitoring the taxiway for wing span restrictions to other concerns around the airfield. As a result of the proposed shift of the taxiway, a new swing gate at the current vehicle checkpoint north of the taxiway location will be needed to allow it to open and close without violating the taxiway safety area. In addition, security cameras and storm sewers will also need to be relocated. This fund transfer requests an additional \$827,000 of expenditure authority to perform work associated with the shift of the taxiway.

This appropriation transfer also requests to change the financing from 75% Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) Revenue, 12.5% State Revenue, and 12.5% Contribution from the Airport Capital Improvement Reserve

Account to 80% State Revenue and 20% Contribution from the Airport Capital Improvement Reserve Account. The Airport Capital Improvement Reserve Fund will be replenished when PFC funds for the project are approved. The Airport has submitted PFC Application No. 17 for approval from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Final approval for PFC application #17 is anticipated in late 2011 or early 2012. The change from Federal Revenue to State Revenue was made because Airport staff was informed by the FAA that the Federal funds would not be made available until late August, which would result in construction work not being able to be completed in 2011. Because of the nature of the Federal discretionary AIP revenue the airport is not able to begin any work until the grant is received. Airport staff has provided documentation from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation that indicates that State Revenue will be available for the project to begin construction in June.

TRANSFER SUBMITTED TO THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE 04/06/11.