

8-27-2015 FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS  
 D CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Action Required

Finance, Personnel and Audit Committee  
 County Board (Majority Vote)

WHEREAS, your committee has received from the Department of Administrative Services, Fiscal Affairs, departmental requests for transfer to the 2015 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 2015 capital improvement appropriations:

1)	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
<u>WP29703 Warnimont Park Exercise Equipment #</u>		
4930 – Gifts and Donations	\$40,000	
8527 – Land Improvements (CAP)		\$40,000

**# Existing Project, + Included in 5-Year Plan, \* New Project**

An appropriation transfer of \$40,000 is requested by the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture to add additional expenditure authority to Project WP297 Oak Leaf Trail- South Lake Front Multi-Use Trails and to create a new sub-project WP29703 Warnimont Park Exercise Equipment. Financing is requested to be provided by contributions from Aurora St. Luke’s South Shore and Aurora Health Care Foundation.

**Background**

The 2014 Adopted Capital Improvements Budget included an appropriation of \$500,000 for Project WP297 Oak Leaf Trail – South Lake Front Multi-Use Trails. The scope of the project included replacement of the oldest segments and portions of the Oak Leaf Trail within the Milwaukee County Parks System. The 2014 appropriations were for segments in Sheridan Park and for some of the segments in Grant Park.

The 2015 Adopted Capital Improvements Budget included a new subproject (Oak Leaf Trail- Grant Park) and an appropriation of \$830,000 for the design and construction of the balance of the segments within Grant Park.

This September 2015 transfer will create a new sub-project and expenditure authority for exercise equipment at Warnimont Park. Financing will be provide by contributions from Aurora St. Luke’s South Shore and Aurora Health Care Foundation. County Board Resolution File 15-344 authorized the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture to accept the donation of the outdoor exercise equipment. The donations will be used for the purchase and installation of the exercise equipment. The donation may also be used to install concrete slabs for the equipment and to install asphalt trails to connect the equipment to other portions of the park.

This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

TRANSFER SIGNED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE AUGUST 27, 2015.

	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
<u>Debt Service Reserve (Unspent Bonds)</u>		
0764 – Debt Service Reserve (Unspent Bonds)	\$1,695,521	
<u>WP280 Menomonee River Parkway #</u>		
8527 – Land Improvements (CAP) Bond Financed		\$1,695,521

**# Existing Project, + Included in 5-Year Plan, \* New Project**

An appropriation transfer of \$1,695,521 is being requested by the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture in order to reallocate unspent bonds from the Debt Service Reserve (DSR) to finance Project WP280 Menomonee River Parkway.

Project WP280 Menomonee River Parkway Reconstruction

Approximately \$7.8 million of funding has been allocated to Project WP280 Menomonee River Parkway (Parkway) Reconstruction since 2013. The section of the Parkway being reconstructed extends from Congress St. on the north end to Church St. on the south end.

The project scope includes reconstruction of the pavement, storm sewer, and roadway lighting systems. Traffic calming measures, storm water best management practices, green infrastructure, natural areas restoration and management, and connections to city streets and state highways is being included in the reconstruction. Replacement of municipal utilities such as sanitary sewers, water mains, storm sewers and lighting are being coordinated with this project.

Currently construction on the south end of the project is ongoing. It is projected that an additional \$2.1 million is necessary to complete the project. The costs are estimated to be higher than anticipated to due to the factors listed below:

- Limited contractor pool as a result of the Zoo Interchange Project;
- The number of catch basins included in the bid form was five and should have been thirty-five;
- Conditions of the roadway being worse than thought which resulted in an undercut of 75% being necessary rather than 50%;
- Charles Hart Parkway is being included in the project scope. The Charles Hart Parkway is connected to the Menomonee River Parkway and is also in poor condition. According to DAS- AE&E the Charles Hart Parkway was initially included in the Project’s cost estimate; however, it was not identified in the project narrative.

This appropriation transfer requests the reallocation of \$1,695,521 of unspent bonds from the DSR to finance a majority of the estimated \$2,100,000 shortfall in the project. The remaining \$400,000 is anticipated to be financed by a portion of the \$4,000,000 list of high priority park infrastructure projects being submitted by the Parks Director and recommended by the Capital Improvements Committee (CIC) as directed by County Board Resolution 15-526.

Assuming approval of this September transfer and the \$400,000 of additional funding, the construction on the project is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2015. If the additional funding is not allocated to the project, it will not be able to be completed in 2015.

This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

TRANSFER SIGNED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE SEPTEMBER 11, 2015.