



# Milwaukee County

## Meeting Minutes Committee on Finance-Budget

*Chairperson: Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr.*

*Vice Chairperson: Steve F. Taylor*

*Supervisor Sequanna Taylor*

*Supervisor Shawn Rolland*

*Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez*

*Supervisor Justin Bielinski*

*Supervisor Anne O'Connor*

*Committee Coordinator: Allyson R. Smith, (414) 278-4225*

*Director of Research and Policy: Steve Cady, (414) 278-4347*

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Wednesday, October 15, 2025

4:00 PM

Room 203-R and Microsoft Teams  
County Legislative Information Center

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This meeting was held in Room 203-R, and was live-streamed on the County Legislative Information Center: <https://milwaukeecounty.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

### Call To Order

Roll Call at 4:01 p.m.

**Present** 7 - Taylor (17), Taylor (5), Rolland, Martinez, Bielinski, O'Connor and Johnson Jr.

**Supervisors Steve F. Taylor (17) and Juan Miguel Martinez appeared virtually for today's meeting.**

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE-BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING  
ON THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S 2026 RECOMMENDED BUDGET - 1**

1      [25-668](#)      From the County Executive, providing the 2026 Recommended budget.

- Attachments:**      [25-668 2026 Recommended Operating Budget](#)  
[25-668 2026 Recommended Capital Budget](#)  
[25-668 2026 Recommended Budget Line Item Detail Report](#)  
[25-668 2026 Recommended Budget Position Supplemental Report](#)  
[25-668 2026 Recommended Budget Overview \(received 10/08/25\)](#)  
[25-668 POWERPOINT PRESENTATIONS \(10/15/25\)](#)

**COMMITTEE ON FINANCE-BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING ON THE  
COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S 2026 RECOMMENDED BUDGET**

**APPEARANCE:**

**Allyson R. Smith, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the  
County Clerk**

**The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding the  
2026 Recommended Budget:**

**Kerry Hoey, Marketing and Communications Coordinator, Administrative  
Services, Village of Brown Deer**

**Nicole Hudzinski, Director, Government Relations, American Heart Association  
(AHA), Milwaukee Chapter**

**Dr. Joy Lincoln, Board President, AHA, Milwaukee Chapter and Chief Scientific  
Officer, Children's Hospital of Wisconsin**

**Colleen Foley, Executive Director, Legal Aid Society of Milwaukee**

**Item 1 was temporarily laid over until later in the meeting by unanimous  
consent of Committee members.**

**This Public Hearing was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

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**RECEIPT OF REQUESTED DEPARTMENT/DIVISION REPORTS - 1**

- 2      [25-670](#)      From the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors, requesting written informational reports in response to requests for information regarding the 2026 Recommended Budget. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [25-670 Referral Response 1](#)  
                                 [25-670 Referral Response 2](#)  
                                 [25-670 Referral Responses 3-8](#)  
                                 [25-670 Referral Response 9](#)  
                                 [25-670 Referral Response 11](#)  
                                 [25-670 Referral Response 12](#)  
                                 [2026 Referral Log \(10/15/25\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Allyson R. Smith, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

Steven "Steve" Fuentes, President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee County Transit System (MCTS)

Sandra "Sandy" Kellner, Chief Administrative Officer, MCTS

Jesus Ochoa, Director, Service Development, MCTS

Kenmikiiya Terry, Director of Equity Operations, Office of Equity (virtually)

Supervisor Rolland requested additional information regarding the annual miles of transit service provided by MCTS in comparison to comparable transit systems.

This Informational Report was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**E-COMMENTS - 1**

- 3      [25-72](#)      eComments submitted to the Committee on Finance via the County Legislative Information Center (CLIC).

\*The Office of the County Clerk collects eComments submitted via CLIC, and appends these official public records to Reference File No. 25-72 at the conclusion of each meeting.

**APPEARANCE:**

Allyson R. Smith, Committee Coordinator, Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk

There were no eComments submitted for the October 15, 2025, Public Hearing.

The October 15, 2025, record of eComments was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**Length of Meeting: 4:01 p.m. to 5:03 p.m.**

**Adjourned,**

**Allyson R. Smith  
Committee Coordinator  
Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk  
Committee on Finance-BUDGET**

**Upcoming Budget Meetings for the Committee on Finance-Budget:**

**SUPERVISOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS, at 9:00 a.m.  
Thursday, October 23, 2025  
Friday, October 24, 2025**

**MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING  
ON THE 2026 RECOMMENDED BUDGET  
Monday, October 27, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.**

**FINAL SUPERVISOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS, at 9:00 a.m.  
Friday, October 31, 2025**