



# Milwaukee County

## Meeting Minutes

### Committee on Parks and Culture

*Chairperson: Supervisor Sheldon A. Wasserman*

*Vice Chairperson: Supervisor Anne O'Connor*

*Supervisor Steve F. Taylor*

*Supervisor Felesia A. Martin*

*Supervisor Priscilla E. Coggs-Jones*

*Supervisor Juan Miguel Martinez*

*Supervisor Jack Eckblad*

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Tuesday, June 23, 2026

9:00 AM

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 9:02 a.m.

**Present** 5 - O'Connor, Taylor, Martinez, Eckblad and Wasserman

**Excused** 2 - Martin and Coggs-Jones

**Supervisor Felesia A. Martin was not present at the time the roll was called but appeared shortly thereafter.**

**Supervisors Juan Miguel Martinez and Jack Eckblad appeared virtually for today's meeting.**

**RESOLUTION - 1**

- 1      [26-500](#)      A resolution authorizing a \$1,126,580 appropriation transfer from Agency 194-1945 - Appropriation for Contingencies to Capital Improvement Project WP083801 - Sheridan Park Bluff Stability for design and permitting expenses (**Referred to the Committee on Parks and Culture for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY, per Section 59.60(8), Wisconsin State Statutes; Referred to the Committee on Finance**)

**Sponsors:**      Shea

**Attachments:**      [26-500 RESOLUTION](#)  
[26-500 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
[26-500 PRIVATE COST ESTIMATES \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 ENGINEERS' ESTIMATES \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 COMMUNITY DISCUSSION POWERPOINT 05/19/26 \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 AUDIENCE OVERVIEW \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 SHERIDAN PARK CONSULTING REPORT \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 WEM SUPPORT LETTER \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 BRIC GRANT SUPPORT LETTER \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
[26-500 EMERGENCY BLUFF PETITION \(06/18/26\)](#)  
[26-500 DISTRIBUTED MATERIALS \(06/18/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**  
Supervisor Steven Shea, District 8

The following people registered in favor of this Resolution, but did not speak:  
Bari Svoboda  
Christopher "Chris" Svoboda

This Resolution was referred to the Committee on Parks and Culture for INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES ONLY, per Section 59.60(8), Wisconsin State Statutes, and was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**MILWAUKEE PUBLIC MUSEUM - 1**

- 2      [26-46](#)      From the President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum, providing an informational report regarding financial statements. **(Considered by the Committees on Parks and Culture; and Finance) (INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [26-46 JUNE REPORT \(received 05/21/26\)](#)  
[26-46 DISTRIBUTED MATERIALS \(06/18/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Dr. Ellen Censky, President and Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Public Museum

The June Report for this Reference File was **DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.**

**RESOLUTION - 1**

- 3      [26-517](#)      A resolution updating the composition and quorum standard of the Milwaukee County Cultural, Artistic and Musical Programming Advisory Council (CAMPAC)

**Sponsors:**      Wasserman, Martin, Vincent, Shea, Logsdon and Capriolo

**Attachments:**      [26-517 RESOLUTION](#)  
[26-517 FISCAL NOTE](#)

There were no appearances for Item 3.

**A motion was made by Supervisor Wasserman that this Resolution be RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION. The motion PREVAILED by the following vote:**

**Aye:** 6 - O'Connor, Taylor, Martin, Martinez, Eckblad and Wasserman

**Excused:** 1 - Coggs-Jones

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES (DAS) - 1**

- 4      [26-491](#)      From the Director, Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services, providing an informational report on the Charles Allis Art Museum and Charles Allis Art Museum Inc., 2025 Annual Report. **(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [26-491 REPORT](#)  
                                  [26-491 CHARLES ALLIS ART MUSEUM ANNUAL REPORT](#)  
                                  [26-491 POWERPOINT \(06/23/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCE:**

Erica Goblet, Project Manager, Economic Development, Department of Administrative Services

The following people appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report:

Carly Neil, Interim Executive Director, Charles Allis Art Museum (CAAM)  
Marquayla Ellison, President and Chairperson, CAAM Board of Directors

Ms. Goblet provided an electronic presentation, which is attached to this file as "26-491 POWERPOINT (06/23/26)."

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS, RECREATION, AND CULTURE (DPRC) /  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES / DAS - 1**

- 5      [26-489](#)      Action Report Requesting Authorization to Execute Long-Term Leases with Easterseals Southeast Wisconsin for Wil-O-Way Grant and Underwood Facilities (**Referred to the Committees on Health Equity, Human Needs, and Strategic Planning; Finance; and Parks and Culture**)

**Attachments:**      [26-489 REPORT](#)  
                                  [26-489 RESOLUTION](#)  
                                  [26-489 FISCAL NOTE](#)  
                                  [26-489 REVISED FISCAL NOTE \(received 06/17/26\)](#)  
                                  [26-489 POWERPOINT](#)  
                                  [26-489 EASTERSEALS LEASE NOTICE](#)  
                                  [26-489 WIL-O-WAY GRANT LEASE AND EXHIBITS](#)  
                                  [26-489 WIL-O-WAY UNDERWOOD LEASE AND EXHIBITS](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Celia Benton, Director, Economic Development (ED), Department of Administrative Services (DAS)

Rami Peltz, Leasing Manager, ED, DAS

Jacqueline Formanek, Director, Disabilities Services, Department of Health and Human Services (virtually)

A motion was made by Supervisor Martin that this Action Report be **RECOMMENDED FOR ADOPTION**. The motion **PREVAILED** by the following vote:

**Aye:** 6 - O'Connor, Taylor, Martin, Martinez, Eckblad and Wasserman

**Excused:** 1 - Coggs-Jones

**DPRC - 1**

- 6      [26-471](#)      From the Executive Director of Parks providing an informational report on the Domes Reimagined Project Financials **(Considered by the Committees on Finance; and Parks and Culture)**  
**(INFORMATIONAL ONLY UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE)**

**Attachments:**      [26-471 REPORT](#)  
[26-471 DOMES ALLIANCE FINANCIAL REPORT](#)  
[26-471 POWERPOINT \(received 06/22/26\)](#)

**APPEARANCES:**

Guy Smith, Director, Department of Parks, Recreation, and Culture  
Supervisor Kathleen Vincent, District 11 (virtually)

Christa Beall Diefenbach, Chief Executive Officer, Milwaukee Domes Alliance, appeared and spoke for information only regarding this Informational Report.

This Informational Report was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**E-COMMENTS - 1**

- 7      [26-45](#)      eComments submitted to the Committee on Parks and Culture 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. 26-45 at the conclusion of each meeting.

**Attachments:**      [26-45 eComments \(06/23/26\)](#)

There were no appearances for Item 7.

The June 23, 2026, record of eComments is attached to this file as "26-45 eComments (06/23/26)."

The June 23, 2026, record of eComments was DISCUSSED WITH NO ACTION TAKEN.

**Length of Meeting: 9:02 a.m. to 10:13 a.m.**

**Adjourned,**

**Ethan T. Masarik  
Committee Coordinator  
Legislative Services, Office of the County Clerk  
Committee on Parks and Culture**

Deadline for the next meeting:

The next regular meeting for the Committee on Parks and Culture is Tuesday, July 14, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Approval Tracking System review must be completed in Legistar on or before WEDNESDAY, June 24, 2026, at 5:00 p.m., for the July meeting cycle.