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5 **A RESOLUTION**

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7 Allocating \$500,000 from Org. Unit 1940-1945 – Appropriation for Contingencies to
8 create a new capital project, WF021101 – Fleet Electrification Study, for the purpose of
9 procuring a consultant to advise and guide Milwaukee County on how it may plan
10 eventually to fully replace its fleet with electric vehicles; and hiring a temporary liaison to
11 coordinate with the consultant as project manager

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13 WHEREAS, overwhelming scientific consensus from around the world notes the
14 threat to human society and the natural world as known today from the impact of climate
15 change induced by human emissions; and

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17 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County declared its intent to adhere to the Paris
18 Agreement in File No. 17-506; and

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20 WHEREAS, in File No. 19-582, Milwaukee County co-created the Milwaukee
21 City-County Joint Taskforce on Climate and Economic Equity which shared its
22 preliminary report in File No. 20-496; and

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24 WHEREAS, Milwaukee County endorsed federal climate change legislation
25 promoted by United States Senator Tammy Baldwin of Wisconsin as it would relate to
26 climate and economic equity (File No. 20-385); and

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28 WHEREAS, in File No. 21-390, Milwaukee County joined the Wisconsin Local
29 Government Climate Coalition to advance climate change solutions beneficial to
30 Milwaukee County and Wisconsin residents; and

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32 WHEREAS, in File No. 22-292, Milwaukee County created the Climate
33 Adaptation Group to, among other things, have the Milwaukee County Department of
34 Parks, Recreation and Culture, the Department of Administrative Services-Risk
35 Management Division, and Office of Emergency Management identify the risks posed to
36 the Milwaukee County Parks System by climate change; and

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38 WHEREAS, the 2021 Adopted Operating Budget tasked the Department of
39 Transportation, Fleet Management Division to “issue a request-for-information (RFI) on
40 the costs associated with contracting with a consultant to provide a report to the County

41 Board . . . on how the County may transition its fleet of passenger motor vehicles to
42 electric vehicles. . .”; and

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44 WHEREAS, for the July 2021 meeting cycle, the Director of Transportation in File
45 No. 21-600, provided the requisite report based on the RFI which estimated a cost of
46 \$10,000 to \$500,000, likely toward the greater cost due to the fleet’s size, and detailing
47 how a request-for-proposals would be written, including “in the data gathering will be
48 charging stations for public use, which may require a similar but modified approach;” but
49 as the report was informational, no further action was taken; and

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51 WHEREAS, the report in File No. 21-600 indicated the Department of
52 Transportation necessitated hiring a project manager for approximately nine months “to
53 assist in RFP development, oversee data collection, lead communication and outreach
54 efforts to customer departments and, once the successful proposal is selected, liaise
55 with the consultant throughout development of a fleet electrification plan.”; and

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57 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation project manager position require
58 action by the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors to create the position and
59 appropriate the requisite funding to attract a qualified candidate, at the estimated cost of
60 \$90,000; and

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62 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation, Fleet Management Division, may
63 in the 2023 Recommended Budget, contingent upon administrative priorities and fiscal
64 reality, acquire a handful of electric vehicles to experiment with adoption of electrifying
65 the County’s fleet; and

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67 WHEREAS, transitioning automobiles from traditional gasoline-burning
68 combustion engines ultimately to electric vehicles is imperative to reduce carbon
69 emissions into the atmosphere; and

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71 WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its
72 meeting of May 10, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-630 (vote 4-0);
73 now, therefore,

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75 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
76 authorizes and directs the Office of the Comptroller and the Department of
77 Administrative Services to process an administrative transfer of \$500,000 from Org. Unit
78 1940-1945 Appropriation for Contingencies to create a new capital project, WF021101 –
79 Fleet Electrification Study, for the purpose of the Department of Transportation, Fleet
80 Management Division, procuring a consultant to advise and guide Milwaukee County on
81 how it may plan to eventually fully replace its fleet with electric vehicles; and hiring a
82 temporary liaison to coordinate with the consultant as project manager; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the RFP shall include:

1. A vision or different visions of what an electrified Milwaukee County fleet may look like
2. The estimated future budgetary requirements for the acquisition of electric vehicles and the requisite infrastructure
3. How Milwaukee County may provision public charging stations at its facilities or in other prominent County-owned locales
4. Whether certain vehicles based on their usage and current and near-future technology may not be appropriate for transitioning from combustion engine or hybrid-electric vehicles

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, should any number of electric vehicles be included for procurement in the 2023 Adopted Budget, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby requests the Department of Transportation return to the Board within six months to a year of the electric vehicle purchase to evaluate electric vehicle performance and cost-benefit compared to traditional gas-burning combustion engine vehicles and share the data developed with the consultant and project manager authorized in this resolution.

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