

County of Milwaukee  
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TO: Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., County Board Chairman  
Chris Abele, County Executive

FROM: Scott B. Manske, Comptroller/Capital Improvements Committee Chairman

SUBJECT: **2019-2023 Capital Improvement Projects**

Pursuant to Chapter 36 of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances, the Capital Improvements Committee (CIC) is to review departmental requests for capital improvements, establish a priority for each capital project based upon established criteria, and develop a countywide Five-Year Capital Improvements Plan (5YR CIP).

At its meeting on August 30, 2018, the CIC recommended the attached 2019-2023 5YR CIP including:

- Airport projects totaling \$27.4 million (pg. 2a), which will be separately financed with airport rates and charges<sup>1</sup>.
- BHD projects totaling \$4.8 million (pg. 1), which will be funded within the BHD operating budget and/or BHD reserves. These projects should be undertaken to the extent necessary, as determined by BHD, to mitigate potential life safety issues and to follow all appropriate rules and regulations. Repairs should be financed to the extent necessary to keep the facility in good working order.
- Remaining projects totaling \$53.9 million (pg. 4-7) (consisting of \$43.2 million of bonds and \$10.7 million of cash) for inclusion in the 2019 capital budget<sup>2</sup> as indicated with an “X” in the far right column. The balance of the remaining projects that total \$32.4 million (consisting of \$13.0 million of bonds and \$19.4 million of cash) are **not** recommended for inclusion in the 2019 capital budget and therefore are not selected with an “X.”
- The 2020-2023 requested projects (pg. 9-30) are listed in order of Department priority. Those future year requests significantly exceed anticipated available funding. Future CIC reviews will annually evaluate and recommend projects for each annual capital improvements budget.

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<sup>1</sup> Airport capital projects are typically locally funded with general airport revenue bonds, airport reserves, and passenger facility charges. In this case, revenue bonds will not be issued as adequate reserves are available to cash fund the projects.

<sup>2</sup> County financing of non-airport capital projects is primarily provided from general obligation bonds/notes, and cash which comes from sales taxes, property tax levy, and vehicle registration fees.

I wish to thank the CIC subcommittee for all of their hard work in the preparation and research of these projects, and for the CIC's diligence in completing their review of the 5YR CIP.



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