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3 From the District Attorney, Office of the District Attorney, requesting assignment of an
4 additional Milwaukee County vehicle, which is required to allow for the safe, secure, and
5 sanitary transport of persons experiencing mental health crises under the Crisis
6 Assessment Response Team project, by recommending adoption of the following:
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8 **A RESOLUTION**
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10 WHEREAS, File No. 17-320, adopted on April 20, 2017, approved funding in the
11 courts' budget, with the consent of the Chief Judge, First Judicial District, Combined
12 Court Related Operations, under the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Safety and
13 Justice Challenge Phase II Implementation Grant (MacArthur Grant) award, for the
14 creation of 1.0 full-time equivalent position of District Attorney Investigator; and
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16 WHEREAS, the MacArthur Grant funding is for 18 months, with the option to
17 extend if additional MacArthur Grant award funds are available, in the amount of
18 \$150,000 for the District Attorney Investigator's salary and fringe benefits; and
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20 WHEREAS, the MacArthur Grant award includes funding to enhance Crisis
21 Assessment Response Teams (CART) for Milwaukee County (the County) residents
22 experiencing mental health crises; and
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24 WHEREAS, the CART District Attorney Investigator will work closely with mental
25 and behavioral health crisis response workers to respond county-wide as a team to law
26 enforcement incidents in which citizens are in need of emergency mental health
27 services, and to provide direct services to citizens in need as a potential alternative to
28 incarceration, primarily in the suburban jurisdictions of the County, which are currently
29 underserved; and
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31 WHEREAS, the District Attorney Investigator position requires a specially-
32 equipped, larger model law enforcement sport utility vehicle with emergency lights,
33 siren, and police radio, in addition to special equipment to allow for the safe, secure,
34 and sanitary transport of persons experiencing a mental health crisis; and no such
35 specially-equipped vehicle exists in the current district attorney fleet; and
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37 WHEREAS, the Fleet Management Division, Department of Transportation
38 (DOT), estimates the costs of the CART vehicle and special equipment, including
39 vehicle maintenance, fuel, and debt service, to be \$57,000, amortized over seven years
40 at an annual cost of approximately \$8,143; and
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42 WHEREAS, the District Attorney's Office will absorb the 2017 costs of the CART
43 vehicle in its adopted budget and will ask the Fleet Management Division, DOT, to
44 include the 2018 charges for the vehicle in the Recommended Budget; and
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46 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of June 15,
47 2017, recommended adoption of File No. 17-406 (vote 6-1); now, therefore,
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49 BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby
50 authorizes, pursuant to Section 56.22 of the Milwaukee County Code of General
51 Ordinances, the assignment of an additional Milwaukee County vehicle to the District
52 Attorney's Office for the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Safety and Justice
53 Challenge Phase II Implementation Grant award for the county-wide Crisis Assessment
54 Response Teams project.
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