

From the Executive Zoo Director of the Milwaukee County Zoo requesting a transfer of \$215,000 from Capital Project WZ0160 - Zoo Administration Building Roof Replacement and \$396,000 from Capital Project WZ0176 -Zoo Aviary Air Conditioning to allocate additional funds for Capital Project WZ0174 - Zoo Front Entrance, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Capital Project WZ017401 – Zoo Front Entrance – Admissions Reconfiguration (the Project) was initially requested in the amount of \$17.6 million as part of the Milwaukee County Zoo's (the Zoo) 2026 Capital Budget request; and

WHEREAS, at the August 12, 2025, meeting of the Capital Improvements Committee (CIC), the Zoo was asked to reduce the Project cost, and present a revised proposal at the meeting of August 19, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Zoo subsequently submitted a reduced-scope Project totaling \$14.2 million, and the CIC further reduced the Project budget to \$13.6 million; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 Recommended Capital Budget included the CIC recommendation of \$13.6 million for the construction phase of the Project; and

WHEREAS, during the October 15, 2025, meeting of the Committee on Finance-Budget, the Zoo expressed concerns that the reduced Project budget of \$13.6 million did not include a sufficient construction contingency; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of December 11, 2025, recommended adoption of File No. 25-707 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) hereby authorizes and directs the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (OSBP) and the Office of the Comptroller (the Comptroller) to process an administrative transfer to reallocate the estimated remaining unobligated budget balance of \$396,000 from Capital Project WZ017601 – Zoo Aviary Air Conditioning to Capital Project WZ017401 – Zoo Front Entrance - Admissions Reconfiguration (Zoo Front Entrance); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the County Board hereby authorizes and directs the Comptroller and OSBP to process an administrative transfer to reallocate the estimated remaining unobligated budget balance of \$215,000 from Capital project WZ016001 – Zoo Administration Building Roof Replacement to Capital project WZ017401 – Zoo Front Entrance.

