A RESOLUTION/ORDINANCE

Amending Sections 32.81(1)(c)(4) and 32.81(1)(g) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances relating to budget preparation to reduce unnecessary printing of budget materials

WHEREAS, Sections 32.81(1)(c)(4) and 32.81(g) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances (MCGO) requires the Fiscal Affairs Division of the Department of Administrative Services (now the Budget Division in the Office of Strategy, Budget and Performance) distribute "...a professionally printed copy of the adopted budget to each Milwaukee County Supervisor, any other elected county official who requests a copy, the committee coordinator for the committee on finance, and the staff of the research division of the comptroller's office"; and

WHEREAS, printed copies of the Recommended and Adopted Operating and Capital Improvement Budget are distributed to each of the aforementioned parties whether or not a printed copy is requested or wanted; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance (SBP) prints approximately 30 copies of the Recommended and Adopted Budgets for Operating and Capital Improvements annually that necessitates around 40,000 printed pieces of paper (File 22-62, March Report); and

WHEREAS, the Office of SBP also produces a digital, user-friendly Recommended and Adopted budgets that are easily searchable and includes hyperlinks published on the County's website; and

WHEREAS, in 2009, then-Supervisor Elizabeth Coggs sponsored a resolution that resolved to implement an administrative policy "that duplex printing or double-sided copying shall be used by all County entities whenever possible to save paper and printing costs," and, further, "the administrative policy shall also encourage the use of electronic transmission of files, whenever feasible, to reduce the need to print or copy files at all" (File No. 09-239); and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County has been conscious in its efforts to reduce paper usage through the implementation of managed print services that include tracking printing job costs and educating users on digitized printing alternatives; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of May 19, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-558 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of Strategy, Budget, and Performance shall provide printed copies of the Recommended and Adopted Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets only upon request prior to July 1st of each year starting with the 2023 budget; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors hereby amends Sections 32.81(1)(c)(4) and 32.81(g) of the Milwaukee County Code of General Ordinances by adopting the following:

AN ORDINANCE

The County Board of Supervisors of the County of Milwaukee does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. Sections 32.81(1)(c)(4) and 32.81(g) of the General Ordinances of Milwaukee County are hereby amended as follows:

32.81. - Budget Preparation.

- (1) Discharge all of the following duties in connection with the preparation of the county's annual budget, including those imposed by s. 59.84, Wis. Stats.:
 - (a) Develop procedures and format for the departments' submission of budget estimate for the county's fiscal year, including revenues, expenditures and capital improvement requirements.
 - (b) Compile county departmental estimate along with principal and interest requirements, cash appropriations for capital improvements, proposed new bond obligations, including interest and principal that would become due in the budget year, contingency requirements and an estimate of all revenues, including any surplus and the required tax levy, and transmit the report to the county executive and the county board.
 - (c) Assist the county executive in preparing the executive budget by:
 - (1) Developing a hearing schedule and notifying county departments and other interested persons. Reviewing budget requests and recommending areas where changes may be considered.
 - (2) Reviewing budget requests and recommending areas where changes may be considered.
 - (3) Compiling the executive budget for transmittal to the county board.
 - (4) Distributing a professionally printed copy of the executive budget to each Milwaukee County Supervisor, any other elected county official who requests a copy, **prior to July 1**st of each year, including the committee coordinator for the committee on finance, and the staff of the research division of the comptroller's office. Budget documents will continue to be available on the county website for public access and historical purposes.

- (d) Assist county board staff and the committee on finance in publishing the executive budget.
- (e) Assist the county executive and committee on finance during the committee's budget hearing, including the preparation of amendments to the executive budget.
- (f) Compile the adopted budget, including the preparation of the necessary resolutions for adoption by the county board.
- (g) Distributing a professionally printed copy of the adopted budget to each Milwaukee County Supervisor, any other elected county official who requests a copy **prior to July 1**st **of each year, including** the committee coordinator for the committee on finance, and the staff of the research division of the comptroller's office. Budget documents will continue to be available on the county website for public access and historical purposes.
- (h) Make recommendations to improve procedures for developing and controlling the budget.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this Ordinance shall become effective upon passage and publication.

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