File No: 22-705

Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to amend 2022 non-professional service contracts with caterers supporting the Senior Dining Program and minority-owned restaurants preparing meals for the Dine-Out Program by increasing the funding available by \$293,000 from \$2,992,000 for a total of \$3,285,000, by recommending adoption of the following:

## **A RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) adopted File No. 21-1026 on December 16, 2021, which authorized the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to execute non-professional services contracts in the amount of \$2,992,000 with various caterers supporting the Senior Dining Program, as well as with minority-owned restaurants providing meals through the Dine Out Program; and

WHEREAS, the caterers that provide meals through the Aging and Disabilities Services (ADS)-DHHS, Senior Meal Program for older adults prepare over half a million nutritious and delicious meals for older adults annually, and reached a peak of over 700,000 meals in the height of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Pandemic in 2021; and

WHEREAS, diligence of the caterers has helped maintain safe, uninterrupted meal service to older adults in Milwaukee County (the County) throughout COVID-19, despite changing safety standards, and a variety of meal collection methods including delivery, take-out and, in some cases, a return to congregate dining; and

 WHEREAS, the retail cost of food has increased more quickly nationally even when compared to other costs of living and inflation overall, and according to the United States Department of Agriculture Economic Research Center in 2021, the prices for beef and pork rose over 8 percent, and the price for fresh fruits rose 6 percent; and

WHEREAS, increasing the per-meal reimbursement to caterers will assist with maintaining the quality of meals provided to older adult diners in the County; and

WHEREAS, the County Board adopted File No. 22-144 on February 25, 2022, which authorized DHHS to contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health Services and to accept \$2,051,430 in Older Americans Act (OAA) funds as provided through the Federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) (Public Law No: 117-2), which required a match of \$300,513; and

 WHEREAS, funding made available through Title III-C (nutrition) within the ARPA of 2021 can be used to fund these per-meal reimbursement increases for caterers and the Dine Out Program restaurants; and

WHEREAS, DHHS is requesting that the total match amount of \$300,513 against the \$2,051,430 in OAA funds be funded from the unallocated contingency account under File No. 22-681, which is simultaneously before the County Board this cycle; and

WHEREAS, the total match amount needed to fund the \$293,000 increase to the catering contracts is \$32,556; and

WHEREAS, consistent with Section 59.52(31)(c), State Statutes, ADS-DHHS must, on behalf of the Commission on Aging, bring contracts with a value or aggregate value of \$300,000 or more to the County Board for authorization; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of June 16, 2022, recommended adoption of File No. 22-705 (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board) hereby authorizes the Director, Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), or her designee, to execute an Amendment to the 2022 Non-Professional Service Contracts with Aging and Disabilities Services (ADS)-DHHS vendors providing meals for Milwaukee County's older adult residents for the period of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2022, with the providers and for the terms listed below, for a total cost not-to-exceed value of \$3,285,000; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, County Board approval of this Amendment is contingent upon adoption of File No. 22-681, approving the transfer of \$300,513 from the unallocated contingency account, to meet the match requirement for \$2,051,430 in Older Americans Act funds; and

## 78 Prices per meal for caterers to the Senior Meal Program

Per-meal costs for each caterer, with requested amended prices:

		Amended	·
	Price per	price per	
Caterer	meal	meal	Meal location
Anmol, LLC	\$7.25	\$7.25	Muslim Community and
			Health Center
Aramark	\$5.06	\$5.21	Zone 1
D&S Food	\$5.35	\$5.51	Zone 2
Services, Inc.			
Jimbo's Lodge	\$6.25	\$6.50	Milwaukee Elks Lodge #46
Catering, LLC			_
Sweet Fix, Inc.	\$7.25	\$7.25	Muslim Community and
			Health Center

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Anmol, LLC, and Sweet Fix, Inc., have taken on the responsibility of delivering meals during the Coronavirus Disease Pandemic, and are reimbursed at \$18 and \$10, respectively, per delivery; and

Per-meal price for restaurant caterers participating in the Dine Out program:

		Amended price
Caterer	Price per meal	per meal
Antigua-Latin Inspired Kitchen	\$7.75	\$8.00
Daddy's Soul Food & Grille Inc	\$7.75	\$8.00
Leva Enterprises LLC/Orenda Café	\$7.75	\$8.00

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