



OFFICE OF THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Chris Abele

MILWAUKEE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

DATE: October 25, 2011  
TO: The Honorable Lee Holloway, Chairman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors  
FROM: Chris Abele, County Executive  
SUBJECT: **Appointment of Frank Busalacchi**

Pursuant to Sec. 59.17(2)(b) Wis. Stats, and subject to confirmation of your Honorable Body, I am pleased to appoint Mr. Frank Busalacchi to the position of Director of the Transportation and Public Works Department for Milwaukee County.

Mr. Busalacchi brings considerable experience in transportation to the County. He served as Secretary of the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) from 2003 through 2010. In this position, he led 3,300 employees in state programs involving multiple modes of transportation, including highways, local roads, railroads, public transit systems, airports, harbors, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. He also served for six years as chairman of the States for Passenger Rail Coalition, an alliance of state transportation departments supporting intercity passenger rail. His accomplishments include oversight of the Marquette Interchange Project in downtown Milwaukee, the largest construction project in Wisconsin, and the enhancement of Wisconsin's rail program.

I am forwarding a copy of Mr. Busalacchi's résumé to you, and my office will be setting up meetings with each of you individually to meet with him prior to his confirmation.

I am confident that Mr. Busalacchi will bring the leadership and vision needed to the Transportation and Public Works Department and I urge you to give this appointment your favorable consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Abele".

Chris Abele  
Milwaukee County Executive

Attachment

Cc: Supervisor Michael Mayo, Sr., Chairman, Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee  
County Board of Supervisors  
Terry Cooley, Chief of Staff, Board of Supervisors  
Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee  
Jodi Mapp, Committee Clerk, Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee  
Frank Busalacchi