# COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE

: February 25, 2013

TO

: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM

: Scott B. Manske, Comptroller

SUBJECT:

2013 Fiscal Projection for Milwaukee County - (Feb 2013) (For Information Only)

### **Policy Issue**

County Ordinance 56.02(2) was modified to reflect changes adopted under 2011 Wisconsin Act 62 which created the Office of the Comptroller. A new requirement calls for a monthly update of the fiscal condition of the County to the County Board. To comply with this ordinance, the Comptroller is providing the County Board with a report on the fiscal condition of the County for 2013.

## Updated 2013 Year-end Fiscal Projection - February 2013

The Office of the Comptroller is continuing to review departmental fiscal reports for 2013 but due to there being only two months of fiscal activity it is too early to issue a projection on the year end position of the County. However, the purpose of this report is to alert the County Board to certain anticipated fiscal issues facing the County. These fiscal issues at the present time and detailed below have an overall positive variance for the County.

A major unknown factor for Milwaukee County is the State Budget. The governor's budget was issued on Wednesday, February 20 which is only the first stage of the State budget process. The Department of Administrative Services is conducting an analysis of the Governor's proposed budget over the next few months and will be presented to the Committee upon completion. It is highly anticipated that there will be fiscal impacts to Milwaukee County as a result of the State Budget.

### Projected Variances to the 2013 Adopted Budget

The following are projected variances from the 2013 Adopted Budget:

Department	Issue	Surplus/Deficit vs. Budget
Sheriff	Projected deficits in traffic citation revenue, US Marshall inmate housing revenue	(\$780,000)
Fringe Benefits	Based upon 2012 projected year end surplus in healthcare and pharmacy claims	\$3,000,000
Contingency Fund	Any unused balance falls to the bottom line at the end of the fiscal year. Current balance is \$4,761,000	\$4,761,000
State Budget	The governor's budget was issued on Wednesday, February 20 and DAS is conducting an analysis of the Governor's proposed budget	Impact unknown

#### **Committee Action**

This is an informational report only. This report should be referred to and reviewed by the Finance and Audit Committee.

Scott B. Manske

Comptroller

#### Attachments

cc: Chris Abele, County Executive

Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr., Co-Chairman, Finance, Audit & Personnel

Committee

Supervisor David Cullen, Co-Chairman, Finance, Audit and Personnel

Committee

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Don Tyler, Director, Department of Administrative Services

Craig Kammholz, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

Stephen Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, County Board

Carol Mueller, Head Committee Clerk, County Board

Department Heads