

(ITEM ) From the Director, Department of Transportation, and the Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transit System, requesting authorization to enter into Contract No. 2, beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for transit services as part of the Milwaukee County Zoo Interchange Project, and requesting authorization to modify Routes 279 and 61, by recommending adoption of the following:

## A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the American Civil Liberties Union of Wisconsin and Midwest Environmental Advocates filed a lawsuit against federal transportation agencies and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) on behalf of Milwaukee Inner City Congregations Allied for Hope and the Black Health Coalition of Wisconsin for inadequately addressing needs of persons who rely on transit within the scope of the \$1.7 billion Milwaukee County Zoo Interchange Project; and

WHEREAS, a settlement between WisDOT and the plaintiffs specified that \$2.875 million annually would be available for eligible services from July 2014 to September 2018; and

WHEREAS, Contract No. 1 between WisDOT and the Milwaukee County Department of Transportation was executed on June 20, 2014, and two bus routes were started in August 2014 and a third was started in January 2015; and

WHEREAS, about \$2 million of the funds will be spent before Contract No. 1 expires, and WisDOT is not permitting unspent funds to be rolled forward into subsequent years; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Transit System will reduce transit services started under Contract No. 1 to ensure that transit expenses do not exceed Contract No. 2 revenues; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its meeting of May 6, 2015, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 7-0) but the recommendation is moot under Section 59.52(31)(d), Wisconsin Statutes, which states that only the County Board's Finance Committee has jurisdiction over contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of May 14, 2015, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 8-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, Milwaukee County Department of Transportation is hereby authorized to enter into Contract No. 2 with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation

47 for transit services beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, as part of the  
48 Milwaukee County Zoo Interchange Project; and  
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50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, modifications to transit Routes 279 and 61 will be  
51 implemented, effective June 14, 2015, as necessary to remain within budget.  
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