COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

Date: January 26, 2016

To: Theodore Lipscomb, Chair, County Board of Supervisors

From: Steven Kreklow, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget

Subject: Request to Create Three Unfunded Positions

REQUEST

Supervisor Lipscomb requests to create 1.0 FTE Director EMS (\$70,882 - \$106,323) in the Office of Emergency Management, 1.0 FTE Director of Family Court Counseling (\$65,631-\$98,447) in Combined Courts Related Operations (Courts), and 1.0 FTE Register in Probate (\$89,294-\$133,931) in Courts. No additional funding is requested.

BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS

Emergency Management

Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is one of the four divisions under the Office of Emergency Management. The County's current Medical Director is a representative from the Medical College of Wisconsin who is acting as an interim division director. The requested position would replace the interim and report to the Director of Emergency Management.

The requested position will be responsible for managing six positions, negotiating and implementing agreements with municipalities and hospitals, and management of the Mobile Integrated Health initiative. The position will also execute and implement a contract with Medical College of Wisconsin for medical direction and control of all County paramedics and receiving hospitals.

In July 2015, the County Board approved file 15-488 which approved the creation of Director EMS. The 2016 Adopted Budget did not include authority for this position.

Courts

The two requested positions in Courts are mandated by state statute. The duties of the Director of Family Court Counseling Services position are currently performed by the Director of Family Court. The duties of the Register in Probate position are currently

performed by the Clerk of Circuit Court. These positions are necessary to comply with state law and retain reimbursement revenue.

FISCAL NOTE

Approval of this request will have no fiscal effect. Existing salary appropriations would be used to fill the positions.

RECOMMENDATION

The Department of Administrative Services - Performance, Strategy, and Budget recommends that the <u>request to create 1.0 FTE Director EMS in the Office of Emergency Management, 1.0 FTE Director of Family Court Counseling Services in Courts, and 1.0 FTE Register in Probate in Courts without any additional funds be approved.</u>

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