(ITEM) From the Director, Department of Transportation, requesting authorization to execute a contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation for the 2016 Section 85.20 Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance Program, allowing Milwaukee County to realize \$64,193,000 in support of Milwaukee County Transit System fixed-route and paratransit operations, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, per Section 59.52(31), Wisconsin State Statutes (State Statutes), approval of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors is required to enter into a contract that exceeds \$300,000; and

WHEREAS, Section 85.20, State Statutes, authorizes a program of State financial assistance to urban mass transit systems for the purpose of improving mass transit systems in Wisconsin; and

WHEREAS, Section 20.395, State Statutes, appropriates funds for the Section 85.20 Mass Transit Operating Assistance Program, which in calendar year 2016 totals \$64,193,000 for Milwaukee County (the County); and

WHEREAS, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation has determined that the County meets the eligibility requirements of the Section 85.20 Mass Transit Operating Assistance Program, and accordingly, \$64,193,000 is available for Milwaukee County Transit System fixed-route and paratransit operations in 2016 upon execution of a contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit, at its meeting of July 13, 2016, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 5-0) but the recommendation is moot under Section 59.52(31)(d), State Statutes, which states that only the County Board's Finance Committee has jurisdiction over contracts; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of July 21, 2016, recommended adoption of the Director's request (vote 7-0); now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Transportation, is authorized to enter into a 2016 Section 85.20 Urban Mass Transit Operating Assistance Program contract with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation and to realize the 2016 budgeted operating revenue in support of Milwaukee County Transit System fixed-route and paratransit operations.

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