DRAFT Fiscal Year 2017

1-26-17 FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS UNALLOCATED CONTINGENCY FUND

Action Required Finance Committee County Board (2/3 Vote)

WHEREAS, your committee has received from the Department of Administration, Fiscal Affairs, the following department requests for transfer to the 2017 appropriations from the unallocated contingent fund and finds that the best interests of Milwaukee County will be served by allowance of such transfers;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director, Department of Administration, is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2017 appropriations from the allocated contingent fund:

1)		<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
	WO14101 Zoo Interchange Legal Fees #		
	6106 – Legal Fees		\$400,000
	Org. 1945 Appropriation For Contingencies		
	8901 – Appropriation for Contingencies	\$400,000	

Existing Project, + Included in 5-Year Plan, * New Project

A **2017** appropriation transfer of \$400,000 is being requested by the Director of the Department of Administrative Services to reallocate expenditure authority from the Appropriation for Contingencies Account to Project WO141 Zoo Interchange.

The Zoo Interchange Reconstruction project (Reconstruction Project) began in 2012 when the Wisconsin Department of Transportation informed Milwaukee County of their intent to take portions of Milwaukee County's real estate for the project. The most recent takings include a portion of the Zoological Gardens and stormwater runoff impacts along the Honey Creek Parkway, within the Parks Department's jurisdiction. Attorney Alan Marcuvitz, with von Briesen & Roper SC, continues to represent the County's real estate interests in these matters.

The increased expenditure authority of \$400,000 will be used to litigate the Zoological Garden's real estate property taken by WisDOT in order to seek just compensation. Funding is also needed to negotiate compensation for impacts to the Honey Creek Parkway due to a change in quantity and location of stormwater runoff resulting from the Reconstruction project.

If the County receives a settlement from the State of Wisconsin in 2017, it is anticipated that an appropriation transfer will be submitted in order to transfer funds to the Appropriations for Contingency Account.

An increase in the contract between Milwaukee County and von Briesen & Roper SC is also being requested in the January 2017 County Board cycle.

This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

TRANSFERS SIGNED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE JANUARY 4, 2017.