

COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

Office of the Comptroller

Scott B. Manske, Comptroller

DATE

: February 20, 2017

TO

: Supervisor Theodore Lipscomb, Sr., Chairman, County Board of Supervisors

FROM

: Scott B. Manske, Comptroller

SUBJECT:

2017 Fiscal Projection for Milwaukee County – (January 2017) (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 and requires 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 2017.

2017 Year-end Fiscal Projection – January 2017

The Office of the Comptroller is continuing to review departmental fiscal reports for 2017 but due to there being only one complete month of fiscal activity it is too early to issue a projection on the year end position of the County or of any department other than the Contingency Fund.

The Contingency Fund's balance, if unused, falls to the bottom line at the end of the fiscal year. As of today, the Contingency Fund has an unallocated balance of \$4,738,755 as shown in the tables below.

Contingency Fund	
2017 Adopted Balance	\$9,704,967
Allocated Items	
Position creations from 2017 REC Budget	(\$3,196,212)
Lead Abatement Pilot grant	(\$1,000,000)
Office of African American Affairs	(\$300,000)
Minimum Wage increase	(\$70,000)
2017 Adopted Unallocated Balance	\$5,138,755
Unallocated Contingency Fund	
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Actions:	
Zoo Interchange Legal Fees	(\$400,000)
2017 Available Unallocated Balance	\$4,738,755

However, it should be noted there are a number of areas of concern to the Comptroller that will be monitored throughout 2017 which likely could exceed the available balance in the Contingency Fund. The Employee Fringe Benefit budget is of concern and my staff is conducting a projection which will be ready for the first quarter report.

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

cc: Chris Abele, County Executive

Supervisor Peggy West, Chairwoman, Finance & Audit Committee

Finance and Audit Committee

Teig Whaley-Smith, Director, Department of Administrative Services

Steve Kreklow, Director, Office of Performance, Strategy and Budget

Janelle Jensen, Committee Clerk, County Clerk

Department Heads