

3-16-17 FINANCE, PERSONNEL AND AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS
 B CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND UNALLOCATED CONTINGENCY

Action Required

Finance, Personnel and Audit Committee
 County Board (2/3 Vote)

WHEREAS, department requests for transfers within their own accounts have been received by the Department of Administrative Services, Fiscal Affairs, and the Director 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 Administrative Services, is hereby authorized to make the following transfers in the 2016 appropriations of the respective listed departments:

| 1) | | <u>From</u> | <u>To</u> |
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| | <u>WV01702 Franklin Landfill FEMA Mitigation #</u> | | |
| | 8527 – Land Improvements (CAP) | | \$57,730 |
| | <u>Org. Unit 1945 Appropriation for Contingencies</u> | | |
| | 8901 – Unallocated Contingency | \$57,730 | |

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

A **2016** appropriation transfer of \$57,730 is requested by the Director of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) to increase budget authority for Project WV017 Franklin Landfill FEMA Mitigation. Financing will be provided from the Appropriations for Contingencies Account.

In 2005, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources required Milwaukee County to make improvements to the soil cover overlaying the former dump located at the Franklin Landfill. The majority of the improvements were completed in 2007, but the extreme rain events of June 2008 damaged the soil cover.

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) agreed to provide funds for repairs to the soil cover and to fund mitigation work that will help prevent damage from occurring due to heavy rains in the future. In January 2010, an appropriation transfer was approved to establish Project WV017 Franklin Landfill FEMA Mitigation. The Wisconsin Emergency Management office (WEM) acted as a pass through for FEMA funding for the County. The project was completed in late 2010.

Notice of project closeout was submitted by the County in November 2010. As part of the project closeout, the County notified WEM of a cost overrun of \$84,035 for work that was outside of the intended footprint and initial scope of work. The County had anticipated that FEMA reimbursements would cover \$68,198 of the overrun. The Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM) began close of the project in October 2011.

In December 2013, FEMA issued an official notification that it was denying funding for work that was outside of the intended footprint and initial scope of work. The WEM assisted the County in submitting multiple appeals. In July 2016, FEMA issued a final determination and approved \$10,469 that was initially denied.

In January 2017, the County received notification from the WEM that it must recollect \$57,729.43 for costs for which it had distributed funds to the County while the project was open. This appropriation transfer will provide funding to reimburse WEM for project costs that were financed by WEM, but subsequently denied by FEMA.

This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

TRANSFERS SIGNED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE FEBRAURY 22, 2017.