

6-15-17 FINANCE AND AUDIT COMMITTEE APPROPRIATION TRANSFERS
 C CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS

Action Required

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

WHEREAS, your committee has received from the Department of Administrative Services, Fiscal Affairs, departmental requests for transfer to the 2017 capital improvement accounts 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 2017 capital improvement appropriations:

1)	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
<u>WP49003 Mitchell Domes Long Term Planning #</u>		
6146 – Prof. Serv-Cap/Major Mtce		\$160,000
9706 – Prof Div Services		\$24,000
8902 – Allocated Contingency	\$120,000	
<u>WP49002 Mitchell Domes Mesh Installation #</u>		
8509 – Other Capital Improvement	\$64,000	

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

An appropriation transfer of \$184,000 is requested by the Director of the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) and the Director of the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture (Parks) to allocate \$64,000 from Project WP49002 Mitchell Domes Mesh Installation and \$120,000 from the allocated contingency account within Project WP49003 Mitchell Domes Long Term Planning to provide expenditure authority for Project WP49003 Mitchell Domes Long Term Planning.

Background

Resolution File Nos. 15-601 and 15-626 were approved in September 2015, establishing capital project WP49001 – Mitchell Park Domes. Cash financing was provided from the County’s Debt Service Reserve (DSR) for a protective netting system in the amount of \$400,000, in addition to funding for long-term planning options in the amount of \$100,000 for a total of \$500,000. As the project’s scope and cost was better defined, the DAS-Architecture & Engineering (A&E) and Parks staff determined that additional estimated funding of \$500,000 was required for the protective mesh system (for the Show Dome) and long-term planning options.

County Board File No. 16-200, approved in March 2016, provided an additional \$500,000 from the Appropriation for Contingencies account to the Mitchell Park Domes project. The resolution also established an eleven member task force (Domes Task Force) comprised of representatives of the administration and legislative branches as well as key community stakeholders to develop a long-term plan.

A June 2016, appropriation transfer provided an additional \$472,000 to finish the mesh installation and to continue the long term planning. In addition the project was broken out into three separate sub-projects:

- WP49001 – Mitchell Park Domes Short-term Planning/Investigation
- WP49002 – Mitchell Park Domes Mesh Installation
- WP49003 – Mitchell Park Domes Long-Term Planning

The June 2016 appropriation transfer provided \$120,000 for long-term planning; however, the funds were placed in an allocated contingency account and requires County Board approval for the funds to be released. In October 2016, all three domes were reopened to the public.

Request

This June 2017 appropriation transfer request seeks to release the \$120,000 from the allocated contingency account and to transfer an additional \$64,000 from the Mesh Installation project to perform long term planning relating to the Mitchell Domes (WP49003- Mitchell Park Domes Long-Term Planning).

Specifically, the funds will be used to contract with HGA Architects and Engineers, Inc. to complete Phase One and Two of the Milwaukee County Horticultural Conservatory Future Path and Feasibility Study. Funds will also be used for DAS-A&E staff time on the project. The two phases of work primarily consist of a feasibility study and related public outreach. Elements of the feasibility study will include analysis of programs and services, revenue generation, and financial impacts, operations and management, social and economic impacts, site/structure and facility, and other elements that will result in a sustainable long-term solution. A public outreach program will be developed for feedback on all ideas presented.

This fund transfer has no tax levy impact.

TRANSFERS SIGNED BY THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAY 22, 2017.