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**Subject:** RE: 2020 Recommended Budget Proceedings: Referral  
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This email is being shared with members of the Finance and Audit Committee in response to a question regarding Vehicle Registration Fee revenues, which was raised at the October 8, 2019 meeting.

The Milwaukee County Vehicle Registration Fee (VRF) is \$30. The fee was first included in the 2017 budget for Milwaukee County, and revenue collections began in March of 2017. Revenues from this fee can only be used for transportation related activities like roads, highways, bridges and public transportation. The fee remains at \$30 in the 2020 Recommended Budget and it is projected to result in \$17,163,509 of total revenue. Of this amount, the 2020 Recommended Budget allocates \$16,101,243 or 94% to the Transit department operating budget. \$1,062,266 or 6% is allocated to the Highway Maintenance operating budget. There are no VRF revenues allocated to capital projects in the 2020 Recommended Budget, which is consistent with the 2019 Adopted Budget. In 2017 and 2018 a portion of the funds were allocated to capital projects.

The following chart provides a history of budget and actual VRF revenues for Milwaukee County, as well as a breakout of the 2020 Recommended Budget for VRF. The chart includes details regarding where the revenues are allocated.

YEAR	Allocation Detail							
	Total VRF Budget & Actual		Transit Operations		Highway Maintenance Operations		Capital Projects (detail below)	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
2016	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2017	13,466,451	14,197,011	11,497,964	12,228,524	-	-	1,968,487	1,968,487
2018	16,000,000	17,162,456	14,659,727	15,822,183	1,025,273	1,025,273	315,000	315,000
2019*	16,793,509	12,128,663	15,731,243	11,066,397	1,062,266	1,062,266	-	-
2020**	17,163,509	-	16,101,243	-	1,062,266	-	-	-

\* 2019 actual reflects revenue through August of 2019

\*\* 2020 budget reflects CEX recommended budget amount

Capital Project Detail (2017 and 2018)			
2017	WT08301	Bus Rapid Transit	1,968,487
2018	WH10901	Signal Install at W. Good Hope Rd. & Pierron	315,000

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Hi Steve—

Please note the following, noticed on page 2 of the minutes from the October 8, 2019 meeting of the Committee on Finance and Audit - Budget:

**Chairman Schmitt requested that a breakdown regarding the distribution of all revenue generated from the Vehicle Registration Fee be provided to committee members.**

Thank you.



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