

Emergency Preparedness Funding Request for COVID-19, by recommending adoption of the following:

AN AMENDED RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, Governor Evers declared a public health emergency in response to local cases of Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) across Wisconsin, and while there are no confirmed cases in Milwaukee County (the County) to-date, the County seeks to be proactive in regard to containing the spread of the virus; and

WHEREAS, File No. 20-288 was approved during the March 2020 cycle of the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors (County Board), and directed the Department of Administrative Services to transfer \$1,000,000 in funds out of the County's Appropriations for Contingencies (Org. Unit 1945) unallocated contingency, in order to provide funding for emergency preparedness responses related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, \$500,000 was used to create new Capital Project WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency, for the acquisition of laptop computers, and enable telework needs for County employees, and \$500,000 was used to establish new Capital Project WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency to address expenses related to COVID-19, which were yet to be determined; and

WHEREAS, COVID-19 costs have exceeded the \$500,000 within Capital Project WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency, and increased funding is needed to cover anticipated additional costs related to COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, grant funding (Federal/State/Other) is available to help offset the COVID-19 costs incurred by the County; and

WHEREAS, the County Board, at its meeting of May 14, 2020, adopted File No. 20-360, which authorized the receipt of \$62,044,048 in Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funding, and requested the County Executive to develop a plan for the appropriation of the funds to be reviewed and approved by the County Board; and

WHEREAS, many CARES Act eligible expenses have already been expended by departments due to COVID-19, which includes, but is not limited to, the following estimated costs:

<u>Item</u>	<u>Expense</u>
• <u>Personal Protective Equipment, cleaning supplies, and emergency operating costs</u>	<u>\$3.1 million</u>
• <u>COVID-19 sick time</u>	<u>\$2.5 million</u>
• <u>COVID-19 related work time</u>	<u>\$550,000</u>
• <u>Laptops and technology for telework</u>	<u>\$500,000</u>
• <u>Costs for Emergency Operations Center and Unified Emergency Operations Center</u>	<u>\$1 million</u>
• <u>Costs for pandemic pay premium</u>	<u>\$700,000</u>
• <u>Medical Examiner costs for COVID-19</u>	<u>\$125,000</u>
• <u>COVID-19 communications costs</u>	<u>\$200,000</u>
• <u>Cost increases in House of Correction and Jail due to isolation and social distancing (costs expected to continue)</u>	<u>\$2 million</u>

; and

WHEREAS, it is recommended by the Director, Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget, Department of Administrative Services (OPSB-DAS) and the Office of the Comptroller to place \$20 million of the CARES Act funding in a separate Org. Unit within DAS so that costs that have been incurred by various departments can be transferred to that funding and financial staff can keep track of the expenses and better project departmental budget variances; and

WHEREAS, by establishing an initial appropriation of \$20 million in CARES Act funding (of the \$62 million), the request originally put forth in this resolution to transfer \$2 million from Org. Unit 1945 – Appropriation for Contingencies to cover COVID-19 costs is no longer required; and

WHEREAS, File No. 20-288, adopted March 26, 2020, which authorized the transfer of \$500,000 each to two new Capital Improvement Projects WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency, and WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency, can now be covered with CARES Act funding, which will allow the \$1 million appropriation to be transferred back to the Appropriation for Contingencies; and

WHEREAS, this process will allow OPSB-DAS to later report to the County Board the expenditures that were incurred that are recommended to be charged against the CARES Act funds for review and approval; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance and Audit, at its meeting of May 21, 2020, recommended adoption of File No. 20-335 (vote 6-0) as amended; now, therefore,

87 BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget,
88 Department of Administrative Services (OPSB-DAS), and the Office of the Comptroller
89 (Comptroller) are authorized and directed to provide an administrative appropriation
90 transfer of ~~\$2,000,000~~ \$20,000,000 from ~~Appropriation for Contingencies (Org Unit~~
91 ~~1945) to Capital Project WO72001-COVID19 Emergency~~ the \$62,044,048 in
92 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act funds received to
93 establish a separate Org. Unit in DAS so that funds already expended by
94 departments due to the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) pandemic can be
95 charged (transferred) against these funds to better account for these expenses
96 and improve financial oversight of departmental budgets; and
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98 ~~BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Director, DAS, or his/her designee(s), is~~
99 ~~authorized to apply for and receive grant funding related to COVID-19; and~~
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101 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, OPSB-DAS and the Comptroller are
102 authorized to transfer \$500,000 each from Capital Improvement Projects
103 WO72101-Laptops COVID-19 Emergency, and WO72001-COVID-19 Emergency
104 and return the \$1 million in funds to Org. Unit 1800-1945 Appropriation for
105 Contingencies as these costs can be covered with CARES Act Funds; and
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107 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the OPSB-DAS and with oversight by the
108 Comptroller, are authorized and directed to provide ~~administrative appropriation~~
109 ~~transfer(s) to recognize COVID-19 grant funding award(s), and related~~
110 ~~administrative appropriation transfer(s) to Capital Project WO72001-COVID19~~
111 ~~Emergency, and/or related County departments~~ monthly reports to the Milwaukee
112 County Board of Supervisors detailing departmental expenses that have been
113 charged to the COVID-19 grant funds for review and approval per File No. 20-360.
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