MILWAUKEE COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION

DATE: February 19, 2021

TO: Supervisor Marcelia Nicholson., Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Chantell Jewell, Superintendent, Milwaukee County House of Correction

SUBJECT: From the Superintendent, House of Correction, requesting authorization to enter into an Agreement with the Wisconsin Department of Corrections to house up to 180 clients a day for a daily fee of \$51.46 each from approximately March 26, 2021, through December 31, 2021, with one possible automatic calendar year renewal starting January 1, 2022

BACKGROUND

The House of Correction has been housing clients from the Department of Adult Institutions (DAI) for a per diem rate of \$40.45. That rate was a discounted when the DOC was providing some staffing support. In this new contract, the DOC will no longer provide staffing support, so the per diem rate is \$51.46.

With COVID, the number of DAI clients housed at the HOC has dwindled down to just a few in December due to the DOC's difficulties sending clients and support staff. This new contract will be for up to 180 beds. These beds are for individuals who are returning to Milwaukee and can be assisted by the HOC with their reintegration back into the community.

It is requested that the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors approve the House of Correction's request to execute an agreement with the DOC in order to improve revenue attainment that is being heavily impacted by the pandemic in many areas while also helping our residents return to their community.

RECOMMENDATION

I, as Superintendent of the House of Correction, respectfully submit this action item to request the authority to enter into the agreement with the DOC to house DAI clients. Should this item to referred to committee, presenters from the House of Correction in addition to me, will be Assistant Superintendent David Rugaber and the HOC's Fiscal Administrator, June Jackson.

FISCAL NOTE

A Fiscal Note form was completed with estimated budget impacts and details.

Respectfully submitted,

Chantell Jewell, Superintendent

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