

Report from the Director, Department of Health and Human Services, requesting authorization to enter into a 2021 contract with the State of Wisconsin for Social Services and Community Programs, by recommending adoption of the following:

### A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Section 46.031, Wisconsin State Statutes, requires that Milwaukee County (the County) enter into a contract with the State of Wisconsin (the State) Department of Health Services for social services and community programs (otherwise referred to as "Community Aids"); and

WHEREAS, the State has provided notification of funding in 2021 for social services and community programs; and

WHEREAS, the single largest revenue source for the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) are State and Federal funds that are forwarded to the department under the Social Services state contract, commonly referred to as "Community Aids," which funds programs in the Aging, Disabilities Services, and Housing Divisions, DHHS; and

WHEREAS, the 2021 Adopted Budget integrated the Department on Aging (Aging) as a division within DHHS, and the revenues for Aging are now combined under one State contract with DHHS; and

WHEREAS, the actual 2021 Community Aids contract for DHHS provides a 2021 allocation totaling \$16,863,402; this amount is \$204,816 more than the \$16,658,586 included in the DHHS 2021 Budget; and

WHEREAS, this is primarily due to an additional \$193,153 in Children's Long-Term Support Program revenue, to offset administrative costs as a result of additional children being served in the program; and

WHEREAS, it is in the County's best interest to execute contracts in a timely manner to improve cash flow and maximize interest earnings; and

WHEREAS, the County will not receive any State Community Aids revenue until the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors has authorized the Director, DHHS, to execute the contract; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, at its meeting of March 18, 2021, recommended adoption of File No. 21-231 (vote 6-0); now, therefore,

45 BE IT RESOLVED, the Director, Department of Health and Human Services  
46 (DHHS), or her designee, is hereby authorized to enter into a contract (and any  
47 addendum thereto) with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services covering Social  
48 Services and Community Programs for the period January 1, 2021, through December  
49 31, 2021, in the amount of \$16,863,402; and

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51 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, of the \$16,863,402 in State Community Aids  
52 revenue, \$5,376,697 is Basic County Allocation funding and \$11,486,705 is for  
53 earmarked revenues to support programs and services within the DHHS as identified on  
54 the attachment included in this file.

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