

ORG. UNIT: 1912

BUDGET: VISIT Milwaukee

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 1912

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Rick Ceschin, Research Analyst

Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCE:

David Fantle, VISIT Milwaukee

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (*Mayo*) Approve the Budget for Org. 1912 as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: Thomas, Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

Committee on Finance and Audit

ORG. UNIT: 3400

BUDGET: Register of Deeds

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 3400

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Rick Ceschin, Research Analyst

Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES:

John LaFave, Register of Deeds

Bill Domina, Corporation Counsel

Jerry Heer, Director, Department of Audit

Mr. LaFave stated the plan for reducing levies in 2009 has begun in the Register of Deeds. Part of that plan includes the outsourcing of data entry, which affects seven positions within this Department. Out of the positions to be affected, three are currently vacant and four have incumbents. These employees were given notice last week. Their last day in the Register of Deeds will be Friday, October 23, 2009. Human Resources placed these employees in vacant positions throughout the County; therefore, bumping was not a factor. The data entry for indexing done by employees will now be performed by an outside firm utilizing a new type of software that is able to extract data information from document images. The finalization of the data will be a manual function. The Register of Deeds is expecting to receive the data on almost a daily basis, which will be going into their index for real estate documents. As soon as this software has been perfected, fine tuned, and they are comfortable with its usage within their office, the Register of Deeds will perform the indexing function in-house. The estimated time given for outsourcing this function is expected to be for a period not longer than twelve months. Once the function is returned to the Register of Deeds, two to three employees will be able to produce the work that used to take anywhere from eight to ten employees to do. This will allow for a great amount of savings in 2010. Mr. LaFave went on to state that without this software, he would need to request that seven positions be filled to get the job done, notwithstanding any overtime. In addition, once the software is brought in-house, they will no longer have the expense of paying the outside firm to perform the duties. There would then only be the annual maintenance fee for the software, which is very reasonable.

Questions and comments ensued at length.

ACTION BY: (*Schmitt*) Approve the Budget for Org. 3400 as recommended by the County Executive. 3-4

AYES: Mayo, Schmitt, and Johnson - 3

NOES: Thomas, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 4

EXCUSED:

The motion by Supervisor Schmitt failed.

ACTION BY: (*Johnson*) Temporarily lay over the Budget for Org. 3400 to allow the Register of Deeds an opportunity to gather and provide the Committee with additional requested information. 6-1

AYES: Thomas, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 6

NOES: Mayo - 1

EXCUSED:

The Committee broke at 2:15 p.m. and reconvened at approximately 2:36 p.m. The roll call was taken and all Committee members were present.

Madame Chair presented Org. 3400 back before the Committee for reconsideration. With no objections made by members, it was so ordered.

Discussion by the Committee ensued at length.

ACTION BY: (*West*) Approve the Budget for Org. 3400 as recommended by the County Executive. 4-3

AYES: Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, and West - 4

NOES: Thomas, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 3

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

Committee on Finance and Audit

ORG. UNIT: 1923

BUDGET: Milwaukee County Automated Land Mapping System (MCAMLIS)

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 1923

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator
County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the Budget for Org. 1923 as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: Thomas, Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: 1937

BUDGET: Potawatomi Revenue

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 1937

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Jennifer Collins, Research Analyst

Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Ms. Collins provided the Committee with a report that included the policy background and history of Potawatomi Revenue. She stated the policy statement specifies that revenue is to be used for quality of life enhancement and activities that promote economic growth and job opportunities for the benefit of all Milwaukee County residents. She detailed the history of how this revenue has been allocated going back to 2001 by indicating it was originally all allocated to programs both operational and capital. In 2003, part of the revenue was set aside for general County purposes, and that has continued to date. The allocations in the budget for programs have remained the same going back to about 2004, with the exception of the Safe Alternatives for Youth (SAY) Program.

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: *(Johnson)* Approve the Budget for Org. 1937 as recommended by the County Executive, with more expansive language to be included in the 2010 Adopted Budget. 7-0

AYES: Thomas, Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: 1945

BUDGET: Appropriation for Contingencies

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 1945

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator
County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Lay over the Budget for Org. 1945. 7-0

AYES: Thomas, Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) -7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: 1996

BUDGET: County Sales Tax Revenue

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Org 1996

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator
County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Questions and comments ensued.

ACTION BY: (*Johnson*) Approve the Budget for Org. 1996 as recommended by the County Executive. 5-2

AYES: Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair) - 5

NOES: Thomas and Mayo - 2

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG UNIT: WO205–Other County Agencies (WO)

BUDGET: Capital Projects

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 WO205

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator
County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

ACTION BY: (Jursik) Approve the Capital Budget for Other County Agencies Fiscal Automation Program/WO205 as recommended by the County Executive. 6-1

AYES: Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik, and Coggs (Chair) – 6

NOES: Thomas - 1

EXCUSED:

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: Various

BUDGET: American Reinvestment and Recovery Act (ARRA) Funds

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Audio: 101909 ARRA Funds

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst

Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Mr. Kreklow stated they have identified every department and every use of stimulus funds that is included in the 2010 Recommended Budget. With the submission of the memo that is before the Committee, this pertinent information has been condensed to one document for review.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this item.

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: Various

BUDGET: Outsourcing Initiatives

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Outsourcing Initiatives

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst
Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator
County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Mr. Kreklow stated the report submitted to the Committee identifies a listing of all the outsourcing initiatives that are included in the 2010 Recommended Budget, along with the position changes and savings. Requests for Proposals (RFPs) have been issued related to potential privatizations. This information has also been included. He reviewed a summary of an analysis for unemployment compensation related to outsourcing. They used a number of different sources for data such as the expected retirement of individuals in positions that are being outsourced, the expected rate of placement of individuals in other County positions, and placement with the vendors who would be taking over the outsourcing. Based on that, an estimate was developed of the costs associated to unemployment compensation. Money is included in the Recommended Budget to provide job training for any workers displaced due to outsourcing modeling, to some extent, the training that was provided to employees displaced by the dietary services. There may be other alternatives for training available depending upon the individuals affected and other factors.

Questions and comments ensued.

The Committee took no action regarding this item.

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Committee Clerk

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ORG. UNIT: Various

BUDGET: 2010 Budget Corrections

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 19, 2009

Audio: 101909 Budget Corrections

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady, Fiscal and Budget Analyst

Department of Administration: Steve Kreklow, Fiscal and Budget Administrator

County Executive: Tim Russell, Deputy Chief of Staff

APPEARANCES: None

Mr. Cady stated that the document before the Committee contains all corrections made to the 2010 County Executive's Recommended Budget narratives. The corrections are not associated with any amendments and have no impact to expenditures, revenues, or the property tax levy.

Committee Members requested more time to review the report.

The Committee took no action regarding this item.

Jodi Kapp

Committee Clerk

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