

ORG UNIT: 1120/1905

**BUDGET: Personnel Review Board
Ethics Board**

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Orgs 1120 - 1905

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCES: Susan Shields, Executive Director, Personnel Review Board
Corral Pleas, President, Personnel Review Board

The meeting came to order at 9 a.m. The following members were present: Thomas*, Mayo, Schmitt, Johnson, West, Jursik and Coggs (Chair).

*Supervisor Thomas was not present at roll call but appeared shortly thereafter.

Ms. Shields requested, if possible, to add \$7,000 to the Personnel Review Board budget for legal services. A brief discussion continued on the sharing of office staff with the Ethics Board.

Supervisor Coggs noted that any budget could be reopened if necessary.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the budgets for 1905 and 1120 together as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Carol Mueller

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ORG UNIT: 1912

BUDGET: VISIT Milwaukee

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1912

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCE: Dave Fantle, VP, VISIT Milwaukee

Mr. Fantle thanked Milwaukee County for their continued support. He continued by listing a substantial amount of conventions planned for 2010. Their most current brochure, which has a small feature for the Parks System was handed out. These brochures are placed in the seat pockets of planes at General Mitchell International Airport.

Questions arose regarding the return on our investment with VISIT Milwaukee.

Mr. Fantle explained how some meetings and/or events took place at some of our parks and cultural entities. Furthermore, all of Milwaukee County's tourism institutions are represented by VISIT Milwaukee and are considered members, fees are waived and covered under this \$25,000 allocation. This organization also generates \$12 million of positive advertising for the greater Milwaukee area.

ACTION BY: (West) Lay over budget so VISIT Milwaukee can provide the Committee revenue benefits Milwaukee County receives from its contribution, including rentals of facilities, visits to parks and cultural entities. 5-2

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

NOES: Thomas and Schmitt - 2

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1966

BUDGET: Federated Library System

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1966

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

ACTION BY: (Jursik) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 6-1

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

NOES: Mayo - 1

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1908

BUDGET: County Historical Society

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1908

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCES: Bob Teske, President Historical Society

ACTION BY: (Schmitt) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1914

BUDGET: War Memorial Center

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1914

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCE: David Drent, Director, Marcus Performing Arts Center (PAC)

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1915

BUDGET: Villa Terrace/Charles Allis Art Museums

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1915

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCE: Maria Costello, General Manager

Ms. Costello made some brief comments on the programming and membership.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1916

BUDGET: Marcus Center for the Performing Arts

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1916

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCE: Paul Mathews, President Marcus Center for the Performing Arts

Mr. Mathews made brief comments on their fund raising. Additionally, he thanked Milwaukee County for their continued support and Capital Improvement funding.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 1974

BUDGET: Milwaukee County Fund for the Arts

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 1974

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCE: Mary Cannon, Volunteer Chair of CAMPAC

Ms. Cannon provided brief comments on the groups sponsored by this appropriation.

***ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive.
6-0-1***

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

ABSTAIN: Johnson - 1

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ORG UNIT: 9910

BUDGET: University Extension Services

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 9910

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCES: Eloisa Gomez, Director, University of Wisconsin Extension
Carolyn Johnson, Assistant Director, University of Wisconsin Extension

Ms. Gomez briefly discussed community program the UW Extension provides. A discussion ensued regarding self-sufficiency and filling space vacancy at the CATC building.

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive.

7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 9700

BUDGET: Milwaukee Public Museum (MPM)

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 9700

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCES: Dan Finley, President Milwaukee Public Museum
Gayle Boehm, Comptroller MPM
Patty Yunk, DC48 (registered to speak)

A discussion ensued regarding Executive salary reductions. The Milwaukee Public Museum is a private entity. The Board of Directors makes salary decisions. The Committee requested to be provided with a list of the Board of Directors members.

ACTION BY: (Schmitt) Approve the budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 9500

BUDGET: Zoological Department

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 9500

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

APPEARANCES: Chuck Wikenhauser, Director Zoological Gardens
Vera Westphal, Deputy Director Zoological Gardens

A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the study for the Zoo management/partnership change to a non-profit organization, revenue projections and fee increases.

Mr. Wikenhauser clarified that this initiative would research the possibility of the viability for the Zoo management to be run by a non-profit organization. He also defended the proactive measures the Zoo has taken in past years to avoid deficits. The Committee was provided with a list of Zoos and their governance that include non-profit organizations.

Supervisor Thomas requested the Zoo provide vendor contract estimates compared to actual for revenue generating ventures.

Supervisor De Bruin noted that when fees increase, the public that attends the Zoo more than once a year is more inclined to join the Zoological Society and buys the Zoo pass. This, in turn affects the direct revenues to the Zoo. Additionally, the Zoo is a living cultural institution and provides some services 24 hours a day. The proposed 12 furloughs days in the budget could affect the health and welfare of the animals. There is a need to correct the wording in the budget. The wording goes back and forth for an investigation for a partnership to giving authorization for the creation and development of the partnership.

Supervisor Coggs requested that a representative from the Zoological Society attend the budget hearing since they provide a substantial portion of the revenue budget.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Lay over the budget and ordinance. 7-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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ORG UNIT: 9000

BUDGET: Parks

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 6, 2009

Audio: 100609 Org 9000 Part 1 & 2

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Kreklow
County Executive: Tom Nardelli

The Committee took a brief recess from 11:25 to 11:40 prior to hearing the 9000 Budget. A second roll call was taken with all members present.

APPEARANCES: Sue Black, Director, Parks, Recreation and Culture
Jim Keegan, Parks, Chief of Planning, Policy and Partnerships
Chuck Ward, Parks, Chief of Operations
Supervisor Gerry Broderick, District 3

The following registered to speak:

Lou Jane Gatford
Jo Anne Halada
Dixie Williamson
Joyce Townsend
Dan Cody, The Parks People
Jim Goulee, The Park People
Nancy Gilmore
Kurt Zunker, President AFSCME Local 882
Allen Prentice
Chris Kuester
Tom Luljak, UW Milwaukee
Lisa Olsen
Patty Yunk, DC48

Comments from registered speakers were allowed at this time.

Ms. Black gave a brief overview of the budget. She noted that the budget is like a puzzle with fees tied to revenues and expenditures tied into capital improvements. There are staffing issues related to layoffs in addition to sharing positions with the Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW). The proposed closures of senior centers and deep well pools along with the construction of a new south side aquatic round out the budget highlights.

Supervisor De Bruin requested that the Department of Administration (DAS) provide a written explanation of the calculation regarding the additional 14,000 work hours. Include in the report the exact cost of unemployment associated with the staff reductions and work sharing. Additionally, have DAS sit down with County Board staff to review the calculations.

Supervisor Larson informed the Committee that he has signed petitions from citizens to keep Holler Park open. He also noted that Supervisors Broderick and Lipscomb are to be added as cosponsors for amendment 1B001.

Questions and comments ensued regarding the rationale for pool and senior center closures, the elimination of front line employees, sharing of employees with DTPW, parking meters near the lakefront, capital improvement concerns, loss of employees and the reduction of overall funding.

Supervisor De Bruin requested that the Parks Department provide a copy of the proposed master plan and a list of proposed and closed deep well pools by location areas.

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR BRODERICK (1A001) (Laid over) Amend Org. Unit No. 9000 – Parks Department, as follows:

- Deny the installation of parking meters along Lincoln Memorial Drive, Lagoon Drive and other lakefront parking lots for a tax levy increase of \$450,000.

This amendment would increase tax levy by \$450,000.

Org. No.	Department (or Capital Project)	Expenditure	Revenue (or Bonds*)	Tax Levy
9000	Parks Department	\$0	(\$450,000)	\$450,000
TOTALS:		\$0	(\$450,000)	\$450,000

If approved, the Adopted Budget narrative shall be modified as needed to reflect this amendment.

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISORS THOMAS, DIMITRIJEVIC, WEISHAN, LARSON, BRODERICK AND LIPSCOMB (1B001) (Laid over) Amend the Budget for Org. Unit 9000 – Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture, WP165 – South Side Family Aquatic Center and New Capital as follows:

- Restore the Pulaski and Noyes indoor pools and the Holler, Jackson, Pelican Cove and Washington Park outdoor pools for a tax levy increase of \$648,996.
- Delete WP165 – South Side Family Aquatic Center by decreasing general obligation bonding \$11,078,000 and decreasing investment earnings by \$83,000 for a total expenditure decrease of \$11,161,100;
- Add a New Capital project for the planning, design and construction of indoor family

aquatic centers at Pulaski and Noyes pools for an increase in general obligation bonding of \$5,000,000;

- Add a New Capital project for miscellaneous pool repairs for an increase in general obligation bonding of \$1.5 million;

This amendment would decrease general obligation bonding by \$4,661,100 and increase tax levy by \$648,996.

Org. No.	Department (or Capital Project)	Expenditure	Revenue (or Bonds*)	Tax Levy
9000	Parks Department	\$648,996	\$0	\$648,996
WP165	So. Side Aquatic Center	(\$11,161,100*)	(\$11,078,000*) (\$83,000)	\$0
New Capital	Indoor Aquatic Center at Noyes and Pulaski Pools	\$5,000,000*	\$5,000,000*	\$0
New Capital	Pool Repairs	\$1,500,000*	\$1,500,000*	\$0
TOTALS:		(\$4,012,104)	(\$4,661,100*)	\$648,996

If approved, the Adopted Budget narrative shall be modified as needed to reflect this amendment.

ACTION BY: (West) Lay over 9000 budget, amendments and ordinance. Supervisors are to work with Supervisor Broderick, Chairman for the Parks, Energy and Environment Committee to create a super amendment. 6-0

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

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: West

The meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

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