

BUDGET: Airports Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE A, 05-23
A230-267

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
Pamela Bryant
County Executive: Ed Eberle

APPEARANCES: Barry Bateman, Director General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA)

DISCUSSION

Supervisor Nyklewicz requested a representative of the airlines be present for these hearings. There is a question of whether or not it is appropriate for the County to issue bonds for 20 to 25 years, in light of the fact that they are pressing for an airport authority. How will this affect the stream of things? This budget was temporarily laid over.

Supervisor Nyklewicz checked on the presence of an airline representative. Mr. Bateman explained that no one was present nor would anyone be able to make the hearings today.

Supervisor Nyklewicz commented that the airlines should not take for granted that the County Board or the County would continue to issue bonds in light of the push for an airport authority. It is presumptuous on their part to assume that we will continue to issue bonds to finance capital projects when they are clearly trying to remove us from the operation of a facility that we have partnered with for years. It would be understandable if this Board had not maintained its responsibility in regards to the airlines. The airlines should be present and justify why we should continue to issue bonds on projects, when we may not be in business to collect the money that we bonded for.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Layover the budget and amendments to 10/24/06 to allow for a representative of the airlines to be present. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Carol Mueller

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BUDGET: Highways and Bridges Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE A 25-203

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
Pamela Bryant
County Executive: Ed Eberle

APPEARANCES: George Torres, Director Department of Public Works
Ben Eruchalu, Contract Manager, Highways

DISCUSSION

Votes on each project were taken individually. Minimal discussions took place.

**ACTION BY: (McCue) Approve project WH010 as recommended by the County Executive.
6-0**

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 6

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: Mayo

**ACTION BY: (Broderick) Approve project WH020 as recommended by the County
Executive. 6-0**

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 6

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: Mayo

**ACTION BY: (McCue) Approve project WH030 as recommended by the County Executive.
6-0**

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 6

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: Mayo

**ACTION BY: (McCue) Approve project WH080 as recommended by the County Executive.
6-0**

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 6

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: Mayo

ACTION BY: (McCue) Approve project WH082 as recommended by the County Executive. 6-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 6

NOES: 0

EXCUSED: Mayo

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve project WH083 as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Discussion on the length and completion of project WH084 ensued. The project has been broken down into sections. Issues regarding different communities delayed the project.

ACTION BY: (Broderick) Approve project WH084 as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve project WH086 as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR BRODERICK 1B002 (Copy attached to the original of these minutes.) To amend the County Executive's 2007 Recommended Capital Improvements Budget for WH080 – Bridge Rehabilitation Program, by providing \$120,000 in Federal revenue and \$30,000 in general obligation bonds for Project WH080031 – Lake Park Bridge over Drainage Ravine (City of Milwaukee).

"An appropriation of \$150,000 is budgeted for the design phase of this project. Financing will be provided by \$120,000 in Federal revenue and \$30,000 in general obligation bonds.

This structure carrying South Lake Park Drive over Lake Park Drainage Ravine is identified by the State as Structure P-40-0573. It is County Structure No. 74. It is an historic masonry spandrel arch bridge constructed in 1896. The bridge is located off Lincoln Memorial Drive at the north entrance to Lake Park.

The existing bridge is in poor condition and the brick mason arch is deteriorated and failing. It has a sufficiency rating of 77.5. Due to the condition of the arch, this bridge is beyond normal repair or maintenance and requires rehabilitation. This project is approved for 80% Federal funding under the Local Bridge Program.”

This amendment would result in a net County commitment of \$30,000.

ACTION BY: (Broderick) Approve the amendment 1B002 above. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

ACTION BY: (Broderick) Approve the WH080 budget as amended. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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BUDGET: Environmental Services Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE A, 204-213

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
Pamela Bryant
County Executive: Ed Eberle

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve all three Environmental (WV) budgets as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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Committee on Finance and Audit

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BUDGET: Museum Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE A, 214-229

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
Pamela Bryant
County Executive: Ed Eberle

ACTION BY: (Broderick) Approve both Museum (WM) projects as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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BUDGET: Parks, Recreation and Culture Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE A, 268-EOT
SIDE B, 001-295
SIDE B, 356-513

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
County Executive: Ed Eberle

APPEARANCES: Sue Black, Parks Director
Shawn Schmidt, Parks Partnership & Policy Director
Supervisor John Weishan, District 16
Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, District 4
Supervisor Luigi Schmitt, District 19
Laurie Panella, Parks Chief of Operations Parks

DISCUSSION

Some amendments are intertwined in the budget process. Ms. Black formally announced the resignation of Shawn Schmidt. He will be taking a position with the Chicago Park District. He will leave a big hole. The Committee Chairman stated that on behalf of the whole County Board we will be sorry to see him leave. Additionally, he thanked him for the fine job he has done and wished him well.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the WP017 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the WP028 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

ACTION BY: (West) Approve the WP049 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

Supervisor Johnson asked a question in respect to the removal of Estabrook # 1 and 2. If UWM negotiations do not come through on tennis courts, is there a 2008 project that would be replaced this? The Parks confirmed the project would be replaced.

Discussion ensued on needles and syringes found in the play areas and sandboxes of the Parks. Additionally, platforms of rubberized surfaces (pour in place) were discussed. The Park's staff rake through the sand routinely. County Ordinance prohibits the disposal of hazardous materials in the Parks.

ACTION BY: (Johnson) Approve the WP069 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR COGGS-JONES (1B0020), (Copy attached to the original of these minutes.) To amend the County Executive's 2007 Recommended Capital Improvement Budget for WP070 – Parks Infrastructure Improvements, by increasing general obligation bonding \$42,000 for the King Center Auditorium, including ADA stage ramp and new stage flooring, lighting improvements, sound system improvements and replacing the projection screen.

This amendment would result in a \$42,000 increase in general obligation bonding.

ACTION BY: (Coggs-Jones) Approve the above amendment 1B0020. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

ACTION BY: (Coggs-Jones) Approve the WP070 budget as modified. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

The following amendment affects numerous Parks Capital Project budgets. These projects include: WP100, WP101, WP102, WP106, WP107, WP108, WP109, WP110, WP111, WP112, WP113, WP114, WP115, WP116 and WP070. Approval of this amendment will also approve the capital budgets as amended.

On amendment 1B003, strike through the words "Bender Park Boat Launch Dredging". This is a typographical correction. This project is not reflected in the narrative thereafter. This amendment also affects project WP070. This would amend the project including the prior amendment.

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISORS WEISHAN, DIMITRIJEVIC AND DE BRUIN (1B003), (Copy attached to the original of these minutes.) To amend the County Executive’s 2007 Recommended Capital Improvements Budget by deleting funding for WP100–Algonquin Park Splash Pad, WP101-Jackson Park Splash Pad, WP102-Jacobus Park Splash Pad, WP106-Lyons Park Pavilion, WP107-Walker Square Park Pavilion, WP108-Rainbow Park Pavilion, WP109-Cannon Park Pavilion, WP110-Vogel Park Pavilion, WP111-Lindsay Park Pavilion, WP-112-Smith Park Pavilion, WP113-Lindbergh Park Pavilion, WP114-Tiefenthaler Park Pavilion, WP115-Columbus Park Pavilion, WP116-Mitchell Park Pavilion and adding funding for McCarty Changing Rooms, Park Building Maintenance, Aquatics Infrastructure Maintenance and increasing funding for WP070-Parks Infrastructure as follows:

- Deleting funding for Splash Pads and Pavilions, for an expenditure decrease of \$2,788,000.

Project Name	Project Cost
Algonquin Splash Pad	872,500
Jackson Splash Pad	872,500
Jacobus Splash Pad	872,500
Lyons Park Pavilion	15,500
Walker Square Pavilion	15,500
Rainbow Park Pavilion	15,500
Cannon Park Pavilion	15,500
Vogel Park Pavilion	15,500
Lindsay Park Pavilion	15,500
Smith Park Pavilion	15,500
Lindbergh Park Pavilion	15,500
Tiefenthaler Park Pavilion	15,500
Columbus Park Pavilion	15,500
Mitchell Park Pavilion	15,500
Totals	\$2,788,000

- Add funding to WP070 – Parks Infrastructure Improvements, for an expenditure increase of \$1,000,000, in order to address the vast amount of parks building deficiencies as identified in the Vanderweil Facility Advisors assessment report. This account will no longer include aquatics infrastructure. Aquatics infrastructure will be addressed in a separate capital account.
- Create a new capital project account and add \$1,000,000 to address only aquatic maintenance needs as identified by the Department of Public Works, in consultation with the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture.

- Fund WP042-McCarty Park Pool Pavilion Outdoor Changing Room Renovation by increasing expenditures \$400,000 and increasing general obligation bonding \$400,000. This project was included in the 2006 Adopted Capital Improvements Budget; however, its funding was reallocated to the Annex demolition project later in 2006. This appropriation would fund the project in its entirety for 2007.

NOTE: The amount of capitalized interest to be allocated to each project will be determined when the Department of Administrative Services issues the County's general obligation bonds in 2007.

This amendment would result in a net County commitment of \$0.

Org. No.	Department (or Capital Project)	Expenditure	Revenue (or Bonds)	Tax Levy
WP100	Algonquin Splash Pad	(\$872,500)	(\$872,500)	\$0
WP101	Jackson Splash Pad	(\$872,500)	(\$872,500)	\$0
WP102	Jacobus Splash Pad	(\$872,500)	(\$872,500)	\$0
WP106	Lyons Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP107	Walker Square Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP108	Rainbow Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP109	Cannon Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP110	Vogel Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP111	Lindsay Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP112	Smith Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP113	Lindbergh Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP114	Tiefenthaler Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP115	Columbus Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP116	Mitchell Park Pavilion	(\$15,500)	(\$15,500)	\$0
WP070	Parks Improvements	\$1,388,000	\$1,388,000	\$0
WP042	McCarty Park Outdoor Changing Room	\$400,000	\$400,000	\$0
New Capital	Aquatics Capital Improvements	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$0
TOTALS:		\$0	\$0	\$0

ACTION BY: (West) Approve the above amendment 1B003 as corrected with clarification from Parks and DAS on the projects related to the \$1,000,000 aquatic maintenance. Provide a list including only allowable bond financing projects before Board day. Additionally, this approves the included budgets as amended. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the WP105 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Supervisor Mayo moved approval of WP128 and WP447 together. Supervisor McCue asked for separate action.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the WP128 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the WP447 budget as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

Supervisor Mayo asked unanimous consent to be a co-sponsor on amendment 1B001, there being no objections, it was so ordered.

Discussion ensued on Bender Park being bought with LAWCON money. Why would we let this property go to anyone? With LAWCON restrictions, this property must be replaced with a property of equal or greater value, both monetarily and with recreational utility. It would have to go through an entire conversion process. No transfer of property can take place without the approval of the local DNR, State DNR and the National Parks Service. The decision would ultimately end up in the Department of Interior.

What was the Executive thinking about when he decided to do this contrary to law? Mr. Eberle stated, he wasn't thinking of doing this contrary to law, but because all the standards were in place, by transferring over the park, it would prohibit any development taking place. This was a safe way of doing it.

The County has other ways of preserving land, like holding on to it. This property is so precious, that to propose this absurdity is just that. This is the continued parceling-off of County assets for the future of our kids, to neighborhood developers.

Multiple supervisors feel this is a policy decision and should be handled through the proper committees.

Why was this hidden in the Capital Budget. Why not written up in the highlights of the operating side of the budget? This seems to be a way to hide this property transfer in the budget. If you want to preserve park land you stand up for it publicly.

Mr. Eberle stated it was not their intent to hide this but felt this was the appropriate spot in the budget. Oak Creek has indicated support and interested in this initiative. This is the distinct difference in policy decisions between the Executive and the Board. This Board's intent is to make this a wonderful park.

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR BRODERICK, DE BRUIN, DIMITRIJEVIC AND MAYO, 1B001 (Copy attached to the original of these minutes.) To amend the County Executive's 2007 Recommended Capital Improvements Budget by deleting the language on page 12 – Potential Capital Initiatives, as follows:

~~“Bender Park: The County Executive proposes the transfer of ownership of Bender Park to the City of Oak Creek once details with the federal Department of Interior and the state Department of Natural Resources have been confirmed and an agreement is finalized between the county and the City of Oak Creek.”~~

This amendment would result in a zero net tax levy impact.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve the above amendment 1B001. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISORS SCHMITT AND DE BRUIN, (1B018) (This amendment was laid over until 10/24/06.) To amend the County Executive's 2007 Recommended Capital Improvements Budget by deleting the language on page 12 – Potential Capital Initiatives, as follows:

~~“Hoyt Park Pool: A community organization has been fund-raising to reconstruct Hoyt Park Pool. The County supports this privately funded initiative and will proceed with construction once those funds are raised and deposited with the county.”~~

This amendment would have no impact on general obligation bonding.

Discussion on the wording and intent of this amendment ensued. The Committee laid over this amendment to have the writers clarify how the funds will be handled and when and if construction would happen. Who will do the construction? No public moneys expended.

Lay over the above amendment 1B018 until 10/24/06 for further clarification. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

Prior to the discussion on amendment 1B021 and the Southeastern Hockey Association of Wisconsin (SHAW), the Zoo Capital Budget projects were voted on at this time.

APPEARANCES:

Mr. Thad Jelinske, Southeastern Hockey Association of Wisconsin (SHAW)

Mr. Jelinske discussed their association with Milwaukee County and the Wilson Park Recreation Center (Center) for multiple decades. The Center was built in 1969 and is need of major repairs. The amendment provided for a lengthy discussion. This amendment was laid over until 10/24/06 to get clarity on issues that arose in the discussion.

AMENDMENT BY SUPERVISOR NYKLEWICZ (1B021) (This amendment was laid over until 10/24/06.) To amend the County Executive's 2007 Recommended Capital Improvements Budget – WP070 – Parks Infrastructure Improvements, by increasing general obligation bonding \$780,000 for upgrades to the locker rooms, common areas and concession stands at Wilson Park Recreation Center.

“The Southeastern Hockey Association of Wisconsin (SHAW), a non-profit organization, rents ice time from Milwaukee County for hockey practices, games and tournaments. SHAW has approached the County to construct an additional sheet of ice on the west parcel of the Wilson Park Recreation Center at an approximate cost of \$4.8 million. The project would include upgrades to the existing facilities as well as the additional sheet of ice and additional locker rooms.

Milwaukee County would bond for all of the improvements and provide SHAW with concessions revenues; however, SHAW would be responsible for paying annual debt service costs.

SHAW will work with the Committee on Parks, Energy and Environment to determine the terms of a lease agreement consistent with the above provisions.”

This amendment would result in an increase in general obligation bonding of \$780,000.

ACTION BY: (Nyklewicz) Lay over the above amendment 1B021 to Staff, DAS and Parks until 10/24/06 to clarify bonding, cost savings, and the lease agreement with SHAW on concessions and debt service. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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BUDGET: Zoo Capital

FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE HEARING DATE: October 23, 2006

CASSETTE NO. 20, SIDE B, 295-355

STAFF PRESENT:

County Board: Steve Cady
Department of Administrative Services: Steve Agostini
Pamela Bryant
County Executive: Ed Eberle

APPEARANCES: Chuck Wikenhauser, Zoo Director
Vera Westphal, Deputy Zoo Director

DISCUSSION

Discussion on the entrance gates, the Ape House smell and "Boo at the Zoo" took place.

ACTION BY: (Mayo) Approve both Zoo (WZ) budgets as recommended by the County Executive. 7-0

AYES: McCue, Coggs-Jones, Mayo, Johnson, Broderick, West & Nyklewicz (Chair) – 7

NOES: 0

EXCUSED:

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