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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT

Wednesday, May 6, 2009 - 9:00 A.M.

Courthouse Room 201 B M I N U T E S

SCHEDULED ITEMS:

PRESENT: Supervisors Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)

Public Hearing- 1

1. 09-T11 Public Hearing on Proposed 2009 Program of Annual Federally Assisted Transit Projects. Opening Statement by the Transportation, Public Works & Transit Chairman. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

Department of Public Works- 2

2. 08-178 (a) A report on an adopted resolution that designates one week in May each year, which week shall coincide with American Public Works Association (APWA) National Public Works Week to acknowledge the efforts of Milwaukee County Transportation and Public Works' employees. **(Department verbal update on the rodeo.) (INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCES:

Faye Roberts, Assistant Director, Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW)

Jason Gates, Director, Risk Management

Jan Balistreri, Local 882

Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works

Ms. Roberts gave regrets for Mr. Vance Forrest of Wisconsin Mutual who was unable to attend today's meeting. His company provided the hats, shirts and "green" bag for the members. This is the third annual rodeo, which provides training and reorientation for Milwaukee County truck drivers that work in the Department. This is a collaborative effort between Local 882, Risk Management and Aegis Corporation. The rodeo is a two-day event that provides training for the Department's commercial driver license operators. The winners participate in the state -wide event in Wisconsin Dells.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

Mr. Gates explained how this program is an excellent way to utilize loss control/loss prevention services offered through Milwaukee County's liability insurance carrier. Through this program, Milwaukee County accomplishes some State goals and prevents accidents.

Local 882 has provided the T-shirts that are distributed to the participants.

Mr. Takerian reiterated information regarding the family day and thanked Local 882 for their support in all they do for this program including providing the food.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

3. 09-T14 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, introducing Mr. Rollin Bertran as the new Manager of Highway Operations. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCES:

Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works
Rollin Bertran, Director, Highway Maintenance

Mr. Takerian introduced Mr. Bertran to the Committee and gave a brief background of his experience and provided a resume' for the Committee members.

Mr. Bertran provided brief comments to the Committee.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

Resolution and/or Ordinance – 2

4. 09-207 A resolution by Supervisors Holloway and Mayo, reconstituting the Transit Services Advisory Committee (TSAC) to make recommendations on transit service changes and transit policy issues to the Committee on Transportation, Public Works, and Transit and the Milwaukee County Transit system.

MOTION BY: (Borkowski) Approval. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Clark*, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

*Supervisor Clark was excused during the vote, shortly thereafter she requested to be added voting unanimously with the Committee. There being no objection, it was so ordered.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

5. 09-206 A resolution/ordinance amending Chapter 42 and Section 56.30 of the Milwaukee County General Ordinances, to amend Disadvantaged Business Enterprise and Airport Disadvantaged Business Enterprise definitions and to include a definition and contracting requirements for support services. **(Also to the Committee on Economic and Community Development.)**

APPEARANCES:

Freida Webb, Director, Community Business Development Partners (CBDP)
Supervisor Willie Johnson, District 13
Amos Owens, Purchasing Manager, Procurement
Davida Amenta, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, DAS
Mildred Hyde-Demoze, Certification Section Manager, CBDP
Tim Karaskiewicz, Principal Assistant, Corporation Counsel

Back in 1999 the Federal government recommended 17 changes to the professional services ordinances regarding disadvantaged business enterprises. The program went from a minority and women program to disadvantaged businesses enterprises. Under regulations regarding Federal funding, there is a requirement to have DBE goals. The amended ordinance has a more inclusive definition of components that qualify for these goals.

Supervisor Johnson has advocated for years to call for the changes regarding minority and women to disadvantaged business enterprises. He is also encouraged that support services are included in these changes.

With these changes, the office of CBDP will review every contract for professional services. Additionally, there is a damage clause that allows Milwaukee County to seek damages if a vendor flagrantly fails to meet the DBE goals in a contract.

A temporary lay over was requested by Supervisor Jursik to allow Corporation Counsel to weigh in on these changes.

Mr. Owens would like this item sent back to Committee for further review due to possible conflicts with Chapter 32 of the Milwaukee County Ordinances.

Ms. Amenta, representing Ms. Archer the Director, Department of Administrative Services, also has some conflicts with the proposal and would like time to review these proposed changes. They support updating Chapter 42. There are conflicts with what is presented here and what the Department is making pertaining to Work Centers.

After the temporary lay over Mr. Karaskiewicz agreed that the Department of Administrative Services and Procurement should review this prior to the changes moving forward.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

MOTION BY: (Clark) Approval.

MOTION BY: (Jursik) Lay the item over for one cycle to have the suggested changes reviewed by the Department of Administrative Services and Procurement. **(Vote 6-1)**

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik Larson and Sanfelippo-6

NOES: Mayo (Chair)-1

EXCUSED: - 0

Airport - 4

6. 03-524 (a)(b) From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to exercise its option to renew Airport Agreement No. CN-1411 with In-ter-Space Services, Inc. d/b/a Interspace Airport Advertising for a five-year term effective May 1, 2009, and incorporate updated language concerning disadvantaged business participation in airport concessions.

APPEARANCES:

Barry Bateman, Director, GMIA

John Finerty, Representing Interspace Airport Advertising

Alex Hopson, Interspace Airport Advertising

Mr. Bateman explained the reason this item is coming back to the Committee is that Interspace is now owned by Clear Channel. Under previous ownership, the company was 100% DBE. The Department of Community Business Development Partners has set a goal for DBE participation in this contract. Clear Channel has exceeded these goals.

Mr. Finerty informed the Committee in 2006 Clear Channel took over ownership of Interspace but kept almost all of the management of the company. Through the retention of the management, the DBE component equates to a blended 44.3%.

MOTION BY: (Clark) Approval. **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

7. 09-193 From the Interim Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to amend ExpressJet Airlines, Inc. agreements AC-1006 to relinquish Gate E63, AC-1102 to relinquish the hydrant fuel pit associated with Gate E63 and enter into a new preferential lease agreement with Continental Airlines, Inc. for the hold room areas, associated ramp linear footage and hydrant fuel pit associated with Gate E63.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

APPEARANCE:

Barry Bateman, Director, GMIA

Continental Express is a subsidiary airline of Continental Airlines, Inc., who is a signatory airline at GMIA.

MOTION BY: (Borkowski) Approval. **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

8. 09-194 From the Interim Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting authorization to issue a sublease to agreement HP-1302 between Skyway Airlines, Inc. and Air Cargo Carriers, Inc. for the space within the Skyway hangar located at General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA).

APPEARANCES:

Barry Bateman, Director, GMIA

Tim Karaskiewicz, Principal Assistant, Corporation Counsel

Supervisor Larson relayed some constituent concerns on noise issues regarding the change in lessee. Mr. Bateman explained that Air Cargo Carriers, Inc. will do maintenance in the hanger and would be less obtrusive than the previous tenant. Skyway Airlines ran airline operations, which started business around 4 a.m. This hangar has been vacant for approximately eighteen months.

Questions regarding a collateral agreement pertaining to Midwest Express were addressed. Later in the meeting Mr. Karaskiewicz informed the Committee that Corporation Counsel had outside counsel review this contact. It is the opinion of that counsel that this agreement does not affect the existing collateral agreement with Midwest Express.

MOTION BY: (Clark) Approve Items 8 & 9 together.

MOTION BY: (Jursik) Separate action on Item 8.

MOTION BY: (Clark) Approval. **(Vote 6-1)**

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-6

NOES: Jursik-1

EXCUSED: - 0

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

9. 08-46 From the Interim Director of Transportation and Public Works, requesting
(a)(a) authorization to amend a professional services contract agreement with Tatum & Associates, LLC for an additional \$10,827 for consulting services at General Mitchell International Airport (GMIA).

APPEARANCE:

Barry Bateman, Director, GMIA

This is an amendment to an existing contract. The vendor was selected through the request for proposals process.

MOTION BY: (Clark) Approval. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

Transit - 5

10. 09-196 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works and the Managing
Director of the Milwaukee County Transit System, requesting authorization to
modify routing changes for Flyer Routes 44, 45 and 79 to improve on-time
performance, effective after the public is properly notified.

APPEARANCE:

Anita Gulotta-Connelly, Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transport System

Ms. Connelly told the Committee changes in access ramps are needed to improve timeliness and address user complaints. The access ramp will change from 13th Street to 27th Street and require slight modifications to the routes on city streets.

MOTION BY: (Larson) Approval. (Vote 7-0)

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

11. 09-T12 From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works and the Managing
Director of the Milwaukee County Transit System, a report on the diesel emissions
reduction national program. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE
DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCE:

Anita Gulotta-Connelly, Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transport System

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

This is an opportunity to receive American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds to cover 75% of the cost for bus diesel engine replacement instead of rebuilt engines.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

12. 07-163
(a)(a)

A report on an adopted resolution dedicating the \$91.5 million of federal funds held for the Milwaukee Connector project for a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project and for a centralized bus terminal for all regional commuter transit services **(Department report on Connector Study.) (INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCES:

Brian Dranzik, Budget and Policy Administrator, DTPW
Anita Gulotta-Connelly, Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transport System

Mr. Dranzik explained in March, the Federal government split these funds between Milwaukee County and the City of Milwaukee with Milwaukee County receiving 40% and the City 60%. The proposed BRT would run near the Medical Center at the County Grounds along or near Wisconsin Avenue and over to the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. At this time the Federal Highway Authority holds the money and would require Milwaukee County to follow its guidelines for spending. The jurisdiction of this money could in the near future, be transferred to the Federal Transit Authority, which has its own guidelines. The Department is working with a consultant on how to proceed with this project.

There are many options associated with a BRT that are desirable but not required. These options, along with current transit routes, exact routing lanes and the City's proposed Connector route, must all be reviewed. All these components are part of the planning process. The Department feels confident that the Federal money will be provided since both the City and County are taking steps to spend the money on viable projects.

The purpose of this report is to keep the County Board informed and address any concerns.

MOTION BY: (Jursik) Receive and place on file the report. **(Vote 7-0)**

AYES: Clark, Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair)-7

NOES: - 0

EXCUSED: - 0

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

Fund Transfers

13. 09-1 A summary of fund transfers being presented to the Finance and Audit Committee. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCES:

Jack Takerian, Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works
Greg High, Director, Architectural, Engineering and Environmental Services
Vince Masterson, Fiscal and Budget Analyst, DAS
Pamela Bryant, Capital Finance Manager

Committee members voiced concerns on the accuracy of the dollars listed in the summary to the actual funds being transferred.

Ms. Bryant informed the Committee that the money in the summary includes the accounting actions needed to keep the accounts in balance. In the future only the actual amount of the transferred funds would be contained in this report.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

14. 09-T15 A. From the Interim Director, Transportation and Public Works and the Managing Director of the Milwaukee County Transit System, a report on the feasibility of extending Route 53 to include service for the Lake Express ferry on a temporary basis. **(INFORMATIONAL UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE COMMITTEE.)**

APPEARANCE:

Anita Gulotta-Connelly, Managing Director, Milwaukee County Transport Systems

The Department received a request to analyze the viability of extending this route to include service to the Lake Ferry. This would add approximately 1.2 miles to the route. Service would be cost neutral if the route does not include the 12:30 a.m. trip.

Supervisor Clark questioned whether this is an efficient use of tax dollars. Due to budget cuts, the original route that covered this area was shortened. She feels there should be an additional fee for these services.

Ms. Connelly noted that this is similar to other routes that have been extended to accommodate businesses and employees. This is a trial basis for this summer. If the service doesn't meet the expected goals, the program would be re-evaluated next year.

The Committee took no action on this informational item.

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

- 09-195 B. A resolution by Supervisors Dimitrijevic and Larson, recommending that Route 53 be modified on a trial basis (from June 14 to August 30, 2009) to serve the arrivals and departures of the Lake Express ferry excluding the 12:30 a.m. trip.

Supervisor Larson explained this route change should be cost neutral. Tourist could use mass transit to reach other points of interest in Milwaukee County. Additionally, the Coast Guard, Navy and local businesses in Bay View will be serviced with this change.

Supervisor Clark requested a change to the fiscal note to reflect the offsetting revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$2,500. Staff will make this change before the item is before the full County Board.

MOTION BY: (Larson) Approval. (Vote 6-1)

AYES: Borkowski, Weishan, Jursik, Larson, Sanfelippo and Mayo (Chair) – 6

NOES: Clark - 1

EXCUSED: - 0

This meeting was recorded. Committee files contain copies of the subject reports, communications, resolutions, and ordinances, which may be reviewed upon request to the Chief Committee Clerk. The official copy of these minutes, along with the audio recording of this meeting, are available in the County Board Committee Services Division.

Length of meeting approximately: 9:03 a.m. until 11:00 a.m.

Carol Mueller
Committee Clerk

SCHEDULED ITEMS (CONTINUED):

Staff Present:

Ms. Faye Roberts, Assistant Director, Department of Transportation and Public Works (DTPW)
Mr. Jason Gates, Director, Risk Management
Mr. Jack Takerian, Interim Director, DTPW
Mr. Rollin Bertran, Director, Highway Maintenance
Ms. Freida Webb, Director, CBDP
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Mr. Martin Weddle, Research Analyst, County Board

DEADLINE FOR TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSIT COMMITTEE

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