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Dear Neighbor,

It is my honor represent you on the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors. The 2018-2020 term has gone very smoothly, thanks in part to the new spirit of cooperation between the County Executive and the County Board. While significant challenges face the county in the near future, the legislative and executive branches of the county are operating with a much greater level of unity than has been seen in many years.

I am pleased to report that Holler Park, 5151 S. 6th Street, has a new sand-free play structure. This fulfills the deed requirement that the park be accessible to people of all abilities. The new playground complements the zero-depth entry wading pool, which remains free and open for everyone to use in 2019.

I hope to showcase the best of what our county has to offer and all its resources in the years to come. As always, please contact my office if you have any questions or comments about county services. It is our pleasure to serve you.

Sincerely,

Supervisor Jason Haas, District 14



Supervisor Haas speaks before the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors in November 2018.

COMMUNITY MEMBERSHIPS

- Airport Gardens Neighborhood Association
- Bay View Dads
- Bay View Historical Society
- Bay View Neighborhood Association
- Friends of Mitchell Airport Park
- Friends of Morgan Park
- Garden District Neighborhood Association
- Holler Park Neighborhood Association
- Humboldt Park Friends
- Milwaukee County Historical Society
- Town of Lake Neighborhood Association
- Wilson Park Neighborhood Association
- Wilson Senior Center



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Supervisor Haas, Chairman of the Parks, Energy & Environment Committee, calls upon a constituent to testify at a recent meeting.

Supervisor Haas invites you to enjoy these FREE Milwaukee County attractions!



Thank You Thursday
Free general admission to MPM on the first Thursday of every month. Visit mpm.edu for more info.



Family FREE Days & Special Holidays
2019: 1/5, 2/2, 3/2, 10/5, 11/2, 12/7.
Thanksgiving, Christmas & New Year's Day. Visit milwaukeezoo.org for more info.



MILWAUKEE ART MUSEUM
FREE for all visitors the first Thursday of every month
Visit mam.org for more info.



FREE on Mondays from 9 a.m.-Noon for County residents
Excludes major holidays. Visit milwaueedomes.org for more info.

VILLA TERRACE
DECORATIVE ARTS MUSEUM

FREE for all visitors the first Wednesday of every month
Visit villaterrace.org for more info.

Charles Allis
Art Museum

FREE for all visitors the first Wednesday of every month
Visit charlesallis.org for more info.



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Civility and Cooperation in Crafting 2019 Milwaukee County Budget



Supervisor Jason Haas, listens to citizens testifying at the Annual Milwaukee County Board Public Hearing on October 29, 2018.

We have completed the 2019 Milwaukee County budget with an unprecedented level of cooperation with the Abele Administration. I and several other members of the County Board were brought into the budget process early on. Together we were able to craft a budget that keeps county services intact, allows our pools and resource centers to remain open, and solves the structural deficit for 2019. The County Board passed the final amended budget by a vote of 17-1 (Weishan).

I sponsored and/or co-sponsored several budget amendments, including:

- Non-tax levy funding for the MCTS JobLines buses to Waukesha County workplaces and industries;
- A directive to begin planning for battery-electric buses;
- A study of the possible merger of the Milwaukee Public Museum and the Mitchell Park Conservatory (The Domes) -- no final decision will come from this;
- Restored funding for the Parks Amenities Matching Fund.

The adopted budget also contains funding for a new air conditioner at the Wilson Senior Center, 2601 W. Howard Ave. The senior center serves as a cooling site during warm summer months, and the existing unit is past its useful life.

Milwaukee County government faces an ongoing structural deficit created caused by normal inflationary "cost to continue" outpacing the growth rate of current revenue. Inflation results in average yearly cost increases of 2.3%, while county revenue increases at 0.9%. For 2019, the structural deficit was originally projected at \$22.4 million. To fill the gap, County Executive Chris Abele proposed cross-departmental budget cuts and a property tax levy increase of 0.44% (\$1.3 million). The County Board subsequently passed amendments that added just 0.1% (\$267,130). Both increases are still below the rate of inflation and the possible state-permitted levy increase.

To address future and potentially crippling budget shortfalls, the County Board and the County Executive have agreed to cooperatively appeal to the state to establish a Fair Deal that addresses the state-imposed limits on county revenue. Chairman Theo Lipscomb and Abele will co-chair a workgroup to develop viable solutions to this inequitable and unsustainable lack of funding by the state.



Supervisor Haas alongside Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. and Eloisa Gomez who retired from the county on July 6, 2018 after serving more than 11 years as Milwaukee County Director of the UW-Extension Office.

Dedication of the Humboldt Park Pavilion Ruth M. Simos Great Room



Joining Supervisors Haas and Dimitrijevic for the Ruth Simos Great Room dedication are: Kent and Shannon Knapp of Milwaukee Blacksmith, and Ruth's daughters Jane and Mary. Ruth will be missed, but her legacy lives on.

The late, irreplaceable Ruth Simos was one of Humboldt Park's greatest proponents. We recently honored her through the naming of the Ruth M. Simos Great Room in the Humboldt Park pavilion. Ruth was the founder of Humboldt Park Friends (formerly Humboldt Park Watch). She worked tirelessly to foster park stewardship, preserve park history, improve amenities and safety, and to sponsor events and programming in Humboldt Park. Her proudest accomplishment was Tree Day, the annual day of environmental educational programming for Bay View area first graders. The naming ceremony took place as part of Tree Day 2018.

Supervisors Haas and Dimitrijevic co-sponsored a resolution to name the Humboldt Park pavilion's Great Room in Simos' honor after her death on February 22, 2018. The county commissioned a local business, Milwaukee Blacksmith, to create a metal placard bearing depiction of one of Ruth's watercolor paintings of a tree in Humboldt Park. The placard now adorns the wall of the Great Room.

Holler Park Improvements



Milwaukee County finished improvements to Holler Park playground in August, which included a new climbing and play structure, and replaced the sand-covered ground beneath the climbing structure with an accessible, smooth surface. Additional amenities at Holler Park include a pavilion, known as the Holler Park Lodge, an outdoor pool and splash pad, and a basketball court, as well as several acres of natural areas and a small pond.

Service Guide for 14th District Milwaukee County Residents

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| County Supervisor Jason Haas278-4252 | Emergency/Public Safety | Milwaukee Art Museum224-3200 | Milwaukee County Zoo.....771-3040 |
| Airports | Sheriff (non-emergency).....278-4700 | Milwaukee County Historical Society ..273-8288 | Milwaukee Public Museum278-2702 |
| Mitchell International Airport747-5300 | Sheriff (non-emergency).....278-4766 | Milwaukee County Parks | Office of Persons with Disabilities.....278-3932 |
| Timmerman Airport.....461-3222 | Burn Center Hotline (24 hours).....272-2876 | Boerner Botanical Gardens.....525-5600 | Register in Probate278-4444 |
| Child Support Enforcement.....615-2593 | Emergency Management (24 hours)...525-5770 | General Information257-7275 | Register of Deeds.....278-4021 |
| Clerk of Circuit Court.....278-5362 | Suicide Prevention/Intervention | Parks Hotline.....257-5100 | Sheriff's Department |
| County Clerk278-4067 | Mental Health Crisis257-7222 | Organized Sports257-8030 | General Information278-4766 |
| County Executive.....278-4211 | Fraud Hotline.....93-FRAUD | Golf Reservations.....475-6222 | TDD Emergency278-5252 |
| County Treasurer.....278-4033 | House of Correction | Golf Office257-8024 | Transit System |
| Courts | General and Visiting Information.....427-4700 | District 14 Parks | Bus Routes/Schedules/Fares.....344-6711 |
| Civil Division (small & large claims) ...278-4120 | Jury Services | Bay View Park (3120 S. Lake Dr.)482-4270 | Customer Comments937-3218 |
| Criminal Division.....278-4538 | General Information278-4468/278-4469 | Copernicus Park (2150 W. Klein Ave.) 281-6289 | Transit Plus343-1700 |
| Children's Court257-7700 | Reserve Juror Message985-6000 | Holler Park (5151 S. 6th St.).....281-6289 | UW-Extension256-4600 |
| Department on Aging289-6874 | Low Income Housing/Rent Assistance...278-4894 | Humboldt Park (3000 S. Howell Ave.)...482-4270 | Veterans Services266-1234 |
| Dept. of Health & Human Services.....289-6877 | Marcus Center for the Performing Arts...273-7121 | Mitchell Airport Park (4446 S. Logan Ave.)...482-4270 | Victim/Witness Service |
| District Attorney's Office | Marriage Licenses/Passports/DNR Lic...278-4067 | Morgan Triangle (3404 S. KK Ave.)....482-4270 | General Information-Felony.....278-4667 |
| John Chisholm278-4646 | Medical Examiner.....223-1200 | Saveland Park (3700 S. 2nd St.).....482-4270 | City of Milwaukee |
| Election Commission278-4060 | Mental Health Complex257-6995 | Tippecanoe Park (1411 E. Warnimont Ave.)..482-4270 | City Hall/Common Council286-2221 |
| | Admitting (Emergency)257-7260 | Wilson Park (1601 W. Howard Ave.)...281-6289 | Night286-CITY (2489) |
| | | Wilson Park Recreation Center281-6289 | |