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Milwaukee County committee advances “Quality-of-life” capital investments, including IJCC project

MILWAUKEE — Milwaukee County’s Capital Improvements Committee advanced a package of “quality of life amendments” Wednesday that would invest in parks, playgrounds, senior centers, transit safety, and other critical infrastructure, while also recommending the Investing in Justice: Courthouse Complex (IJCC) project move forward.

The Capital Improvements Committee recommended the IJCC project, which would replace the existing Public Safety Building with a modern courthouse complex designed to serve Milwaukee County residents and the justice system for decades to come. The project is currently part of the County’s capital planning process.

“This project is about more than replacing an aging building. It is about making our justice system safer, more efficient, and more accountable while being responsible stewards of taxpayer dollars,” said Supervisor Steve F. Taylor, Chair of the Milwaukee County Board’s Finance and Capital Improvement Committees. “The Public Safety Building has reached the point where continuing to put money into an outdated and inefficient facility is not a sustainable solution. The IJCC gives us an opportunity to address longstanding infrastructure needs, improve security and court operations, and create efficiencies that can save money over the life of the project. As we move forward, I will continue to focus on making sure we have the oversight, accountability, and financial discipline necessary to deliver this project responsibly.”

The amendments include investments across the County’s park system, such as playground improvements and other projects designed to improve access, safety, and the overall experience for residents and families. The County’s 2026 capital program already includes investments in projects such as the A.C. Hanson playground reconstruction, Bender Park roadway and drainage improvements, and Kosciuszko Center improvements.

“We know how important our parks are to everyone who lives in Milwaukee County, and these investments focus on tangible improvements that increase access, safety, and enjoyment in parks across the County,” said Supervisor Sky Z. Capriolo. “With special attention to our playgrounds, we’re emphasizing the importance of families and area youth to us all.”

“This historic amendment makes life better across our county and invests money where people live their lives - in our parks, on our buses, and in the places our seniors and families use every day,” said Supervisor Shawn Rolland.

“These quality-of-life amendments make targeted investments in the places Milwaukee County residents use every day,” said Supervisor Taylor. “From our parks and playgrounds to senior centers, transit, and the Investing in Justice: Courthouse Complex, these investments address longstanding needs and will improve safety, accessibility, and efficiency across Milwaukee County. Advancing these projects is an important step, and we will continue to focus on accountability, responsible budgeting, and delivering value for taxpayers.”

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