



MILWAUKEE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

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Chairwoman Nicholson and Supervisor Martin Commend Public Participation at Annual Public Hearing

MILWAUKEE – On Tuesday, November 1, the Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors held their annual public hearing on County Executive David Crowley’s 2023 recommended budget. Chairwoman Nicholson and Supervisor Martin released the following statements following the meeting.

“I was elated to see the Marcus Center filled with so many residents who voiced their opinions on the County Executive’s 2023 Recommended Budget,” said Chairwoman Nicholson. “Oftentimes the needs of marginalized groups are ignored or swept under the rug. This is why [amendment \(01\)](#) to the budget restored funding to paratransit services. Hearing residents who are visually impaired and blind speak to the importance of this service to their independence undoubtedly left a lasting impression on the body as a whole. We also heard suggestions for improving accessibility that I hope to advance. I commend everyone on their testimony as we continue to budget equitably.”

“My thanks go out to every resident who joined us at our Annual Public Hearing and chose to voice their concerns. The thoughtful, passionate comments were well received and appreciated,” said Supervisor Martin. “I hope that residents with concerns will continue to have ongoing dialogue with their respective County Supervisor. We take our stewardship of County dollars incredibly seriously, and at times wish we had more oversight over the use of funds than we do. In that vein, I would like to thank the impassioned speakers from the Amalgamated Transit Union 998. We’ll continue to advocate for a dedicated funding source for our transit system to avoid tough cuts in the future.”

County Executive David Crowley introduced his [2023 Recommended Budget](#) on September 29. The Milwaukee County Comptroller released an [independent analysis and summary](#) of the County Executive’s budget proposal on October 10.

The Committee on Finance considered amendments to the County Executive’s Recommended Budget on October 26 and 27 and will have one final meeting to consider amendments on November 4. The full County Board’s budget adoption meeting will be held on November 10.

[Amendment \(01\)](#) to the County Executive’s Recommended Budget was authored by Chairwoman Nicholson, along with Supervisors Liz Sumner, Sequanna Taylor, Willie Johnson, Jr., Juan Miguel Martinez, and Ryan Clancy and was adopted unanimously by the Committee on Finance. The amendment restores funding to paratransit service.

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