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### **WAUKESHA COUNTY BOARD COMMITTEES COMPLETE REVIEW OF COMPREHENSIVE CAPITAL PROJECTS PLAN TO ENHANCE INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES**

**(Waukesha, WI)** –Today, Wednesday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, all Waukesha County Board committees have completed their review of Waukesha County’s 2025-2029 Capital Projects Plan. County Executive Paul Farrow submitted the Plan to the County Board of Supervisors August 30<sup>th</sup>. Final passage from committees will take place on October 14<sup>th</sup>. The full Board is anticipated to vote on it during their October 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

The 2025-2029 Capital Plan dedicates funding for the next construction phase for the courthouse renovation project, repaving, rehabilitation of County Trunk Highways, improvements to park infrastructure and County facilities.

“It’s our duty to exercise prudent financial management to safeguard taxpayer dollars. However, it is equally important to invest in key infrastructure and community improvements that will drive long-term growth and enhance the quality of life for our residents. Balancing fiscal responsibility with strategic investments ensures a prosperous future for Waukesha County,” County Executive Paul Farrow said.

#### **Courthouse Renovation:**

\$20.4 million is allocated for the 2025 Courthouse Project Step II. This phase will renovate the 1959 Courthouse to enhance security, refurbish the East/West wing on the 2nd floor and the existing County Board space. Additionally, it will update aging and outdated facility systems to support the County's growth for the next fifty years. Final funding is planned for 2026, with completion anticipated in 2027.

#### **Transportation/Infrastructure:**

The 2025 Capital Projects Budget provides about \$5.2 million toward the rehabilitation of CTH O (Moorland Road), between CTH ES (National Avenue) and CTH D (Cleveland Avenue) in the City of New Berlin as part of a multi-year effort to improve multiple segments along one of the County’s

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busiest highways. \$1.5 million will go towards replacing a salt dome which collapsed earlier this year.

**Justice and Law Enforcement Program:**

**Sheriff's Department-** The budget also initiates efforts to address increasing inmate population at the Jail with \$250,000 toward a study to evaluate construction options.

**Emergency Preparedness-** There is a total of \$470,000 budgeted to replace the roof and uninterruptible power supply at the Communication Center in 2025.

**Parks and Land Use:**

Design is underway for phase V of the Lake Country Trail, a 2.25-mile trail that would combine an off-road trail facility with on-road accommodations to link the Lake Country Trail at Roosevelt Park in the City of Oconomowoc with the proposed Jefferson County Interurban Trail at the Waukesha/Jefferson County line. This \$2.0 million project is largely funded through federal, state, and local partnerships, with the County's share at \$74,000. Construction is planned for 2026. Naga-Waukee War Memorial and Moor Downs golf courses, Eble and Naga-Waukee ice arenas, and the Expo Center will also undergo infrastructure upgrades.

“In the past few years, we have seen costs increase faster than our revenue sources or tax levy limit can keep up with. This reality makes the need to shift things into the five-year capital plan a necessity for us to maintain the quality of services our county expects,” Farrow added.

**About the 2025 Waukesha County Capital Projects Plan**

The 2025-2029 Capital Projects Plan dedicates funding for all major projects in the County budgets over the next five years. It focuses on essential infrastructure projects that supports safety and economic development in the community.

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