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WAUKESHA COUNTY INTRODUCES PLAN TO UPDATE ELECTION EQUIPMENT

Plan is part of the County’s 2013 Capital Plans

WAUKESHA, Wis. – County Executive Dan Vrakas announced plans today to update the County’s election system. As part of the Vrakas’ 2013-2017 Five Year Capital Plans, a project to develop election system requirements and business processes will be conducted along with a needs analysis for new election hardware and software.

“Waukesha County is a rapidly growing County and in recent years the number of reporting units in the County has increased,” Vrakas said. “This, coupled with the collecting, tallying and reporting vote totals, have made the process cumbersome. The goal is to automate and streamline the system as much as possible to prevent human error.”

A recent report by the County’s outside elections consultant, SysLogic, identified some shortcomings and inefficiencies of the current elections system, and the proposed elections Capital Plan is intended to help resolve some of these issues. The current system is highly complex and requires information to be manually keyed-in requiring significant review before publication of unofficial results. New election equipment will automate the process which, in turn, will increase efficiency, accuracy and timeliness of vote reporting.

The County Board will review Vrakas’ full 2013 budget in late September with final passage expected in November.

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