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WAUKESHA COUNTY CREATES NEW BUDGET TASK FORCE

Task Force aims to create long-term financial solutions for County budget using transparent, public involvement

(WAUKESHA, WI) – Today, Thursday, April 18, 2024, Waukesha County Executive Paul Farrow is announcing the creation of a Budget Task Force. This group will be made up of municipal leaders, business representatives, County Board Supervisors and public members, who will discuss what the County budget may look like over the next five to ten years.

"Our County is facing significant financial challenges, including operational pressures on essential services such as the Sheriff's Department, the Department of Health and Human Services, our 9-1-1 dispatch system, and our Circuit Courts. Additionally, there are pressing infrastructure needs, like the reconstruction of Moorland Road and the potential expansion of the County jail," County Executive Farrow said.

We will be asking this group on the task force for their help in prioritizing County programing and to examine what other revenue streams may be available to help fund County operations. We are in the initial stages of putting this group together.

"The goal remains to continue delivering high-quality services to our taxpayers without drastic cuts to services and to prioritize protecting the safety and security of County residents," Farrow added.

The task force will promote transparency and hear from the public as we consider all options before us. The County will be holding several task force meetings:

May 14th 6:00pm-8:30pm (location to be confirmed)

May 29th 6:00pm-8:30pm (location to be confirmed)

June 4th 6:00pm-8:30pm (location to be confirmed)

Administration Center 515 W. Moreland Blvd. Waukesha, WI 53188 Phone: (262) 548-7010



Final Task Force Meeting date to be determined (virtual meeting)

To learn more visit **Budget Task Force**

About Waukesha County:

The mission of Waukesha County government is to promote the health, safety, and quality of life of citizens while fostering an economically vibrant community. We are committed to delivering effective, high-quality programs and services in a courteous and fiscally prudent manner. More information about Waukesha County departments and services is available online at www.waukeshacounty.gov

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