

ENROLLED ORDINANCE 180-88

MODIFY THE 2026 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TRANSPORTATION FUND BUDGET FOR FIXED ASSET EQUIPMENT PURCHASE OF VACUUM EXCAVATOR

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WHEREAS, the number of routine and discretionary maintenance requests from State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation for this type of work are increasing, and to complete this work, Highway Operations has been converting the existing vacuum truck and leasing additional vacuum equipment as necessary to complete these projects; and

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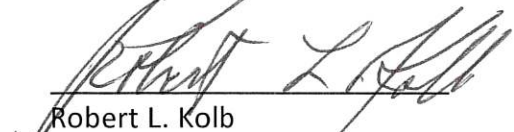
THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE COUNTY OF WAUKESHA ORDAINS that the 2026 Transportation Fund budget be modified to increase fixed asset expenditures and General Fund balance use by \$150,000 to purchase a vacuum excavator.


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Presented by:
Public Works Committee


Keith Hammitt, Chair


James Batzko

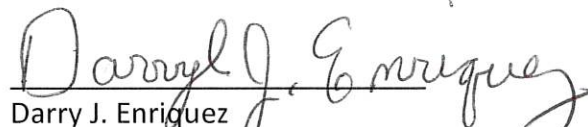

Robert L. Kolb
Absent


Chris Mommaerts

Approved by:
Finance Committee

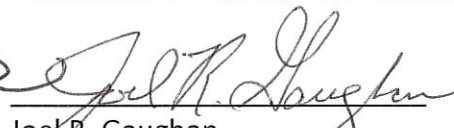

Gary J. Szpara, Chair


Timothy Dondlinger

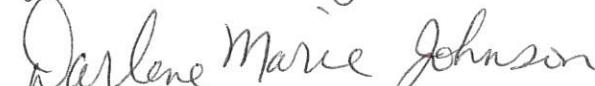

Darryl J. Enriquez



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Thomas J. Schellinger


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Terry Thieme


Brian Meier

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, was presented to the County Executive on:

Date: 04-17-2026, 
Margaret Wartman, County Clerk

The foregoing legislation adopted by the County Board of Supervisors of Waukesha County, Wisconsin, is hereby:


Approved: X
Vetoed: _____

Date: 4/20/2026, 
Paul Farrow, County Executive

VOTE RESULTS
Consent Agenda

21 AYE | 0 NAY | 0 ABSTAIN | 4 ABSENT

17 Yes Votes Needed

 **Passed**

D1 - Styza	ABSENT	D10 - Thieme	AYE	D19 - Enriquez	AYE
D2 - Euclide	AYE	D11 - Howard	AYE	D20 - Schellinger	AYE
D3 - Gscheidmeier	AYE	D12 - Wolff	AYE	D21 - Gaughan	AYE
D4 - Batzko	AYE	D13 - Leisemann	AYE	D22 - Szpara	AYE
D5 - Dondlinger	AYE	D14 - Mommaerts	ABSENT	D23 - Hammitt	S AYE
D6 - Walz	ABSENT	D15 - Kolb	AYE	D24 - Schroeder	AYE
D7 - LaFontain	M AYE	D16 - Crowley	AYE	D25 - Johnson	AYE
D8 - Koremenos	ABSENT	D17 - Meier	AYE		
D9 - Heinrich	AYE	D18 - Nelson	AYE		

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FISCAL NOTE

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This ordinance modifies the 2026 Department of Public Works - Transportation Fund budget increasing fixed asset appropriations \$150,000 to purchase a vacuum excavator for the Highway division. This increase is funded through the use of General Fund balance of \$150,000. The department has had several requests from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) in recent years to perform maintenance work on the State Highway System that would utilize the vacuum excavator. When they have received these requests, they have often needed to modify their existing equipment, namely their vacuum truck (street sweeper), to perform this maintenance. This is less efficient and tends to reduce the department's ability to earn revenue they would usually have earned with the street sweeper due to it having to pause its normal operations to instead deal with these additional requests. The purchase of the vacuum excavator would allow the department to continue using the street sweeper for its traditional maintenance purpose for the state while also being able to complete other state work with the new equipment.

The new vacuum excavator is estimated to have a 10-year life cycle and would have an ROI of approximately 9 years based on DPW estimates of usage for WisDOT of 200 hours per year. The department has stated that WisDOT has indicated that it may request work beyond those 200 hours annually, as well as there possibly being additional work being proposed by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) that would include additional revenues. The department also believes the equipment would be useful for internal county use as well, including use by DPW Facilities Maintenance and potentially by Parks and Land Use.

Estimated Return on Investment

Hourly Rate	\$81.16
Estimated Annual Hours	200
Annual Revenue	\$16,232
Purchase Price	\$150,000
Years to ROI	9.24

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Budget Manager

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