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RESOLUTION: Authorize a Capital Improvements Project and a Budget Transfer in the Amount of \$12,000.00 for a Feasibility Study to Determine Appropriate Funding for Renovation of the Projection System at the Barlow Planetarium and Other Requests Identified in a Pre-study

TO THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

WHEREAS, the Barlow Planetarium serves 30,000 visitors per year; and

WHEREAS, the Barlow Planetarium is the most attended and highest admission revenue generating planetarium in the University of Wisconsin system; and

WHEREAS, the current projection system is running on technology and parts that are no longer available to support the existing system; and

WHEREAS, parts are scarce and becoming difficult to obtain, suggesting that a renovation of the planetarium is a pressing issue and critical to its future; and

WHEREAS, a pre-study of renovations to the Barlow Planetarium has identified the following wish list:

- increase visitor capacity and comfort
- design a lobby that enhances guest flow
- ensure the HVAC system can meet the needs of new equipment
- convert Curler Gallery to a light lock and install automated doors
- refresh interior finishes
- install railing replacement
- install step lighting
- install security console

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Winnebago County Board of Supervisors that it hereby approves a capital improvements project and a budget transfer of \$12,000.00 for a feasibility study to determine appropriate funding for renovation of the projection system at the UWO-Fox Cities Barlow Planetarium and other requests identified in a pre-study.

Fiscal Note: \$12,000 in expense would be authorized, of which amount \$6,000 will be reimbursed by Outagamie County, and the remaining \$6,000 of which would be funded with a transfer from the undesignated general fund balance, and will either reduce the general fund balance or will be replaced with proceeds from a subsequent bond issue

Respectfully submitted by:

FACILITIES AND PROPERTY COMMITTEE

Committee Vote: **5-0**

Respectfully submitted by:

PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Committee Vote: **4-0**

Vote Required for Passage: **Two-Thirds of Membership**

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Approved by the Winnebago County Executive this ____ day of _____, 2022.

Jonathan D. Doemel
Winnebago County Executive