

# Agenda Item Report



**Winnebago County**  
*The Wave of the Future*

DATE: 2/9/2022

TO: Facilities & Property Management and Personnel & Finance Committees

FROM: MARTIN RUDD AND JOANN RIFE

RE: ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION COST FOR UWO FOX CITIES CHILD CARE ADDITION

## **Background:**

*The UWO Fox Cities Child Care Learning Center Addition project was pursued due to lack of safety for the children during a life-threatening storm. Currently, the staff need to pack up infants as well as young children who can walk and get them across a parking lot and into the main campus building. Once they arrive, they still have a further distance to go to get into a safe shelter area. This is a timely process that some storms do not offer that much time to react, which presents a safety issue. This project has been budgeted for and in process dating back as far as 2014 according to preliminary drawings. This is when the feasibility study took place. This project budget was \$534,600 for Design and Engineering services and Construction between Winnebago and Outagamie County. The project's A&E firm, Martin-Riley, did a cost of probable cause during the construction document development and the project was within budget with a local construction company. Due to elevated and unpredictable construction costs we have been experiencing, the project came in overbudget when it went out to bid. Five construction companies did provide a bid cost for this project. Design and Engineering and associated costs came in at \$74,551.18 and 10% Contingency at \$54,443. The lowest cost construction bid came from Milbach Construction Services at \$544,430. Therefore, this project came in \$138,824.18 overbudget.*

## **Policy Discussion:**

The County Board is the body that approves bonding and capital project funding. These requests go through the committees of jurisdiction, Personnel and Finance Committee and the County Board. County financial rules and policies allow the reallocation of unexpended capital projects to be reallocated to an underfunded capital project subject to County Executive, committee of jurisdiction and Personnel and Finance Committee approval. It does not require full County Board approval.

## **Requested Action:**

*Therefore, we are requesting a transfer of additional funds of \$138,824.18 to proceed with the construction of this addition. Outagamie county has unanimously approved to transfer their portion of funding. The requested action is for a motion to vote for a transfer of \$138824.18 over to UWO Fox Cities – Child Care Addition (Construction phase) project to start and complete the construction phase for this project.*

## **Committee Action:**

## **Attachments:**

Budget Transfer Request