

1 SUB ____ to 2021 RES-320 (PROPOSED - DOOLAN)

2 AMENDING THE 2022 BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING BORROWING TO INCREASE
3 FUNDING FOR THE DANE COUNTY JAIL CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

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5 Dane County has budgeted and authorized borrowing for \$150 million to consolidate the current
6 three jail facilities into one and accommodate program improvements, including medical and
7 mental health beds, and improved visitation spaces. The project envisions a smaller, safer jail,
8 with a reduction of 91 beds, or almost 9% of current capacity, and the closing of the inhumane,
9 outdated facility on the 6th and 7th floor of the City-County Building.

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11 Recent market changes mean that the likely cost of the facility will be greater than the amount
12 currently budgeted. The Department of Public Works, working with the Dane County Sheriff's
13 Office and Mead and Hunt, the firm designing the building, estimate the cost overruns to be
14 approximately \$24 million dollars.

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16 After almost a decade of study, debate, and design, it is critical to bring this project to completion.
17 That requires amending the 2022 budget and authorizing borrowing to cover the anticipated
18 shortfall.

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20 The Criminal Justice Council (CJC) will identify the impact of changes implemented by the Dane
21 County criminal justice system since March 2020, due to the pandemic. Any analysis should
22 include whether initiatives have been successful in decreasing incarceration, and if they have
23 been sustained. Additionally, a study of how other programs and services have affected the jail
24 population should be completed. The results of these analyses will form recommendations to
25 inform the Dane County Sheriff as to the size and use of jail space; providing guidance as it is
26 being built in the coming years, as well as after it has been built.

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28 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the budgeted amounts in account CPSHRF 57037
29 "Jail Consolidation" and CPSHRF 87974 "Borrowing Proceeds" be increased by \$24,000,000;

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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the purpose of financing the costs of completing the
32 consolidated jail project, including the costs related to the financing, the County Board authorizes
33 the issuance of not to exceed \$24,480,000.00 general obligation bonds pursuant to Chapter 67
34 of the Wisconsin Statutes.

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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of the Dane County Board retain a consultant to,
37 working with the Sheriff's Office and the CJC Coordinator, complete an annual jail population
38 analysis to evaluate program efficacy on reducing the jail population, to be conducted each year
39 in January until 2026, with reports - including recommendations on changes to use of space in
40 the Jail Consolidation Project - to the County Board, the Sheriff's Office, and the Criminal Justice
41 Council (CJC).

42 *This substitute amendment specifies that, in addition to allocating additional funding, a jail*
43 *population analysis be completed annually in 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026, with a focus on*
44 *evaluation of the efficacy of initiatives to decrease incarceration, and recommendations regarding*
45 *the size and use of jail space while the Jail Consolidation Project is being completed, as well as*
46 *after it has been built.*