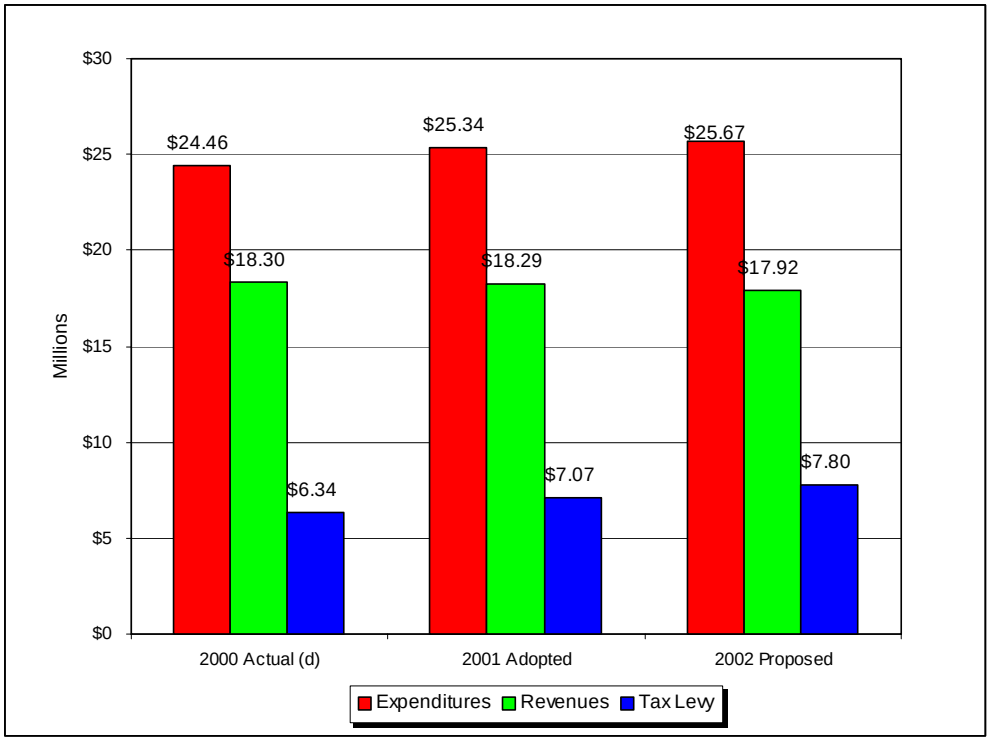
PUBLIC WORKS

Functional Area Budget Highlights

The Public Works Functional Area includes the Public Works Department and the **Airport Development** fund. The **Public Works** Department includes **General Fund** appropriations to provide architectural services, construction management and engineering for roadways and facilities, maintenance and housekeeping services, permit processing and traffic control. The **Highway Operations Fund** has the responsibility for all maintenance and repair services on the County Trunk Highway System and also provides appropriations for maintenance and repair of State Trunk Highways within the County, under contract with the State. The **Transit Services Fund** provides commuter bus service to/from Milwaukee, plus limited intra-county bus service. A **Central Fleet Maintenance Fund** provides for maintenance and repairs of County-owned motorized equipment, and assists equipment users in making vehicle maintenance, repair and replacement decisions. The **Vehicle/Equipment Replacement Fund** was established to finance necessary and justified replacements of vehicles and major pieces of equipment. The **Airport Development Fund** maintains and operates, through a Fixed Based Operator contract, a reliever airport serving general aviation and business travel needs. Not included in this functional area are Public Works related capital projects, (Capital Projects, Section VII) and major equipment replacements, (End-User Technology Fund, in Non-Departmental Functional Area, Section VI).



The 2002 expenditure budget for this functional area totals $25,671,386, after adjustments to exclude proprietary fund capitalized fixed asset items, an increase of $328,986 or 1.3% from the 2001 adopted budget. Budgeted revenues, including $396,030 of fund balance appropriations, total $17,919,388, a decrease of $373,742 or 2.0% from the previous year's budget. The tax levy necessary to fund this functional area totals $7,796,789, an increase of $730,700 or 10.3% from the 2001 budget.

PUBLIC WORKS

Functional Area Summary by Agency

	2000 Actual (d)	2001 Adopted Budget (d)	2001 Estimate	2002 Adopted Budget	Change from 2001 Adopted Budget $	%
*** TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS ***						
Expenditures (a)	$24,462,123	$25,342,400	$25,206,664	$25,671,386	$328,986	1.3%
Revenues (b)	$18,303,916	$18,293,130	$18,273,974	$17,919,388	($373,742)	-2.0%
Oper Income/(Loss) (a)	($66,313)	($204,636)	$8,272	($226,662)	($22,026)	10.8%
Tax Levy (c),(d)	$6,341,547	$7,066,089	$7,126,882	$7,796,789	$730,700	10.3%
BREAKDOWN BY AGENCY						
PUBLIC WORKS *						
Expenditures	$23,576,636	$24,409,927	$24,327,354	$24,612,197	$202,270	0.8%
Revenues (b)	$17,668,082	$17,582,111	$17,580,584	$17,131,652	($450,459)	-2.6%
Oper Income/(Loss) (a)	$183,340	$16,818	$194,192	$44,791	$27,973	166.3%
Tax Levy (c)	$6,091,894	$6,844,635	$6,940,962	$7,525,336	$680,701	9.9%
AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT						
Expenditures	$885,487	$932,473	$879,310	$1,059,189	$126,716	13.6%
Revenues (b)	$635,834	$711,019	$693,390	$787,736	$76,717	10.8%
Oper Income/(Loss) (a)	($249,653)	($221,454)	($185,920)	($271,453)	($49,999)	22.6%
Tax Levy (a)(c)	$249,653	$221,454	$185,920	$271,453	$49,999	22.6%

* Restated for comparison purposes to the 2001 budget to reflect creation of Public Works Department

(a) Total expenditures and net operating income exclude capitalized fixed asset purchases and debt service principal repayment of Proprietary Funds to conform with financial accounting standards. Fixed asset purchases will be made out of operating revenues, and are included in the department's fixed asset request. Vehicle Replacement Fund total 2001 expenditures exclude capitalized fixed asset purchases of $2,454,365, and total 2002 expenditures exclude capitalized fixed asset purchases of $1,949,482 .

(b) Includes Airport Development fund balance appropriation of $118,494 in 2000 and $173,977 in 2002, Central Fleet fund balance appropriations of $127,053 in 2001 and 2002 and $95,000 of General Fund balance in 2002.

(c) Tax levy amount is not determined by expenditures less revenues due to proprietary fund accounting.

(d) Tax levy is provided to fund estimated operating loss and/or fixed asset purchases.

Significant program and funding changes from the 2001 budget include:

- Position changes in the Public Works Department include the abolishment of a 1.0 FTE Clerk Typist I and .50 FTE Account Clerk I, and the creation of a .50 FTE Senior Civil Engineer. This reflects efficiencies gained from the consolidation of staff resources providing administrative support, while identifying additional resources needed for right-of-way land acquisitions in the engineering services program at a net savings in personnel costs of $24,000.

- Energy costs increase over $400,000 in Public Works including $70,000 for fuel costs for highway maintenance, $302,000 for natural gas, almost doubling the 2001 budget and $37,000 for electricity for County campus facilities. The Airport operations includes another $6,600 for these items.

- The building improvement maintenance plan includes $95,000 to re-locate the metro drug unit. This one-time expenditure is being funded with general fund balance appropriations. SEWPPC space will be vacated at the old courthouse Annex facility resulting in a loss of revenue of almost $190,000. The Department will reduce costs including the abolishment of 2.0 FTE Building service worker I, for a savings of $66,000 along with additional operating savings including utilities of $35,000, supplies and materials of $52,000.

- Federal Prisoner reimbursement revenue for facility and utility costs is reduced $100,000 in 2002 as the second year of a multi-year plan to phase out this revenue prior to the end of the Federal contract in June 2003, as previously approved by County Board action.

- **Highway Operations**. State transportation aids increase $243,000 in the 2002 budget and County reimbursement revenue for State highway maintenance work increases almost $278,000 in part, due to an improved method of claiming equipment reimbursement and increases in storage costs at the new highway operations facility.

- The 2002 **Transit Services** budget terminates 3 routes begun in 2000 with Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) grant funding due to low ridership and the resulting high costs per passenger. A new CMAQ route begun in 2001 will continue with tax levy of $33,000. A New Berlin route begun with CMAQ funding will continue under existing cost shares. These changes reduce expenditures almost $1.4 million and tax levy by almost $328,000.

- Non-CMAQ transit routes increase expenditures $148,000, but will also receive less State and Federal revenues resulting in an offsetting tax levy increase of $333,000. Tax levy also increases $42,000 for additional costs for maintenance of two additional park and rides lots, and leased land, which are not eligible for State and Federal, funds.

- The **Central Fleet Maintenance** budget continues to see increased fuel costs per gallon. The 2002 budget includes a projected wholesale rate of $1.50 up from $1.20 budgeted in 2001 resulting in an increase in fuel costs of $135,000 in 2002. Other cost increases include $33,000 for parts purchases and $17,000 in utilities. These cost increases are reflected in higher charges to Departments of $230,000, or 10%.

- The **Airport** budget includes a significant increase in contracted snow removal costs of an additional $81,000, reflecting a greater amount of pavement to plow, labor and equipment, fuel, and airport-specific requirements identified in the first 3-year contract experience. An increase in charges for services revenues of $23,000 is insufficient to offset this and other cost increases resulting in a tax levy increase of $50,000.

BUDGETED POSITIONS 2000-2002
SUMMARY BY AGENCY AND FUND

PUBLIC WORKS

Agency	Fund	2000 Year End	2001 Adopted Budget	2001 Modified Budget	2002 Budget	01-02 Change
PUBLIC WORKS	General	76.40	76.40	76.40	73.40	-3.00
PUBLIC WORKS	Highway Operations	71.00	71.00	71.00	71.00	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS	Transit Services	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.10	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS	Central Fleet Maintenance	18.00	18.00	18.00	18.00	0.00
PUBLIC WORKS	Vehicle Replacement Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
AIRPORT	Airport Development	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.00
	TOTAL REGULAR POSITIONS	169.50	169.50	169.50	166.50	-3.00
	TOTAL EXTRA HELP	2.44	2.15	2.15	2.15	0.00
	TOTAL OVERTIME	3.84	4.45	4.45	4.45	0.00
	TOTAL BUDGETED POSITIONS	175.78	176.10	176.10	173.10	-3.00

2002 BUDGET ACTIONS:

PUBLIC WORKS

General Fund
- Abolish 1.00 FTE Clerk Typist I
- Abolish 0.50 FTE Account Clerk I
- Abolish 2.00 FTE Building Service Worker I
- Create 0.50 FTE Senior Civil Engineer
- Transfer 0.20 Clerk Typist II from Permit Processing to Administration

POSITIONS TRANSFERRED IN THE 2002 BUDGET:

None

POSITIONS UNFUNDED IN 2002 BUDGET:

None

2001 CURRENT YEAR ACTIONS:

None

For additional detail see the Budgeted Position Summary included with each agency detail summary.