



August 12, 2025

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

September 11, 2025

Adoption of the 2026 Capital Area Regional Planning Commission Budget

A public hearing will be conducted at the Capital Area Regional Planning Commission meeting on Thursday, September 11, 2025, convening at 6:00 pm for public comment on the Commission's proposed 2026 budget. The draft document is available in hard copy upon request and may be downloaded from CARPC's website (link below). Written comments should be forwarded to the CARPC office by Monday, September 8, 2025, and may be submitted by email to info@capitalarearpc.org.

This meeting will be conducted virtually via Zoom and may also have an in-person component (subject to change, refer to final agenda). Via Zoom, you may participate in the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone by using the URL on the meeting agenda, which is typically posted the week before the meeting and can be found on the [Meeting Information](#) page of the CARPC website. If you need other accommodation to attend the meeting, please call the Administrative Services Manager at (608) 474-6017.

Link to 2026 Proposed Budget: [DRAFT 2026 CARPC Budget](#)

The following table summarizes the proposed changes.

	2025 Amended	2026 Proposed	% Increase (Decrease) from 2025 Amended
Revenue			
Dane County Levy	\$1,209,332	\$1,160,959	(-4.0%)
Total Pass-through	\$185,172	\$73,657	(-60.2%)
All Other Revenue	\$673,356	\$681,216	1.2%
Gross Revenue	\$2,067,860	\$1,915,832	(-7.4%)
Net Revenue ¹	\$1,882,688	\$1,842,175	(-2.2%)
Expenses			
Personnel	\$1,497,192	\$1,601,231	6.9%
Operating	\$287,311	\$236,782	(-17.6%)
Pass-through	\$199,872	\$73,657	(-63.1%)
Gross Expenses	\$1,984,374	\$1,911,669	(-3.7%)
Net Expenses ¹	\$1,784,502	\$1,838,012	3.0%
Surplus (Deficit)	\$83,486	\$4,162	

¹ "Net Expenses/Revenue" = Gross minus pass-through

Emailed to:

City, Village and Town Clerks

Melissa Agard, Dane County Executive

Satya Rhodes-Conway, Mayor, City of Madison

Tom Mathies, President, Dane County Towns Association

Robert Wipperfurth, President, Dane County Cities and Villages Association

Scott McDonnell, Dane County Clerk

Patrick Miles, Chair, Dane County Board of Supervisors

Michele Doolan Chair, Dane County Zoning and Land Regulation Committee

Yogesh Chawla, Chair, Dane County Environment, Agriculture & Natural Resources Committee

Elizabeth Doyle, Chair, Dane County Personnel and Finance Committee

Chuck Erickson, Chair, Dane County Lakes, and Watershed Commission

Laura Hicklin, Director, Dane County Land and Water Resources Dept.

Joleen Stinson, Parks Director, Dane County Land and Water Resources Dept.

Todd Violante, Director, Dane County Department of Planning and Development

Charles Hicklin, CFO and Controller, Dane County Dept. of Administration

Doug Wood, Chair, Greater Madison MPO

Alexandra Andros, Director, Greater Madison MPO

Eric Dundee, Executive Director, MMSD

Curt Sauser, MMSD

Jim Wolfe, City Engineer, City of Madison

Krishna Kumar, General Manager, Madison Water Utility

Matthew Sorensen, WisDOT

Heidi Habeger, Executive Director, Groundswell Conservancy

Mike Sorge, WDNR

Helena Tiedmann, WDNR

Tim Asplund, WDNR