

**LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE    SEPTEMBER 16, 2009    ITEM 21, FILE # 090439**

**File #090439 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Bioterrorism Grant – Focus CRI Grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.**

**Background**

1. The Cities Readiness Initiative (CRI) is a continuing pilot program to aid cities in increasing capacity to deliver medicines and medical supplies during a large-scale public health emergency such as a bioterrorism attack or a nuclear accident. The Cities Readiness Initiative is intended to:
  - help save lives through timely delivery of medicines and medical supplies during a large-scale public health emergency, and
  - enable cities to deliver medicines and medical supplies to populations within a timeframe that will make an appreciable health difference in the event of a bioterrorism attack.
2. Grant funding provides the Milwaukee Health Department resources necessary to plan for and provide medicines and medical supplies to the entire Milwaukee Metropolitan Statistical Area within 48 hours of notice of an emergent need.

**Discussion**

1. Funding in the amount of \$232,448 is available and is entirely grantor share supporting activities for the period August 1, 2009, to September 31, 2010. This funding amount represents a small reduction (-5.9%) from the \$247,078 amount available in the current year which is for the period September 1, 2008 to August 31, 2009. The one-month overlap results in a net annual gain.
2. The grant will support 2.25 existing positions in the Department of Health. This includes new support of 0.75 FTE for the existing position of Health Project Coordinator-Immunizations. The proposed budget for this continuing grant is as follows:

**Personnel**

Health Project Coordinator-Emergency Preparedness (1.0 FTE - Pay Range 004)	\$ 46,400
Health Project Coordinator – Immunizations (0.75 FTE – Pay Range 004)	52,000
Public Health Emergency Response Planning Coordinator (0.5 FTE - Pay Range 007)	31,850
<b>Fringe Benefits</b> (41%)	53,402
<b>Supplies and Materials</b>	1,088

<b>Mileage and Parking</b>		900
<b>Training</b>		7,200
<b>Contract Services</b>		46,808
Citywatch Renewal	\$ 5,500	
Teleforms Renewal	\$12,000	
Functional Exercise	\$ 7,500	
Consulting/Temp. Assist.	\$21,808	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$232,448</b>

3. Each of these sub-accounts, except for personnel and fringe, are significantly reduced from the current grant amounts.
4. The resolution in File #090439 authorizes the City Comptroller to establish necessary Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project Grant levels and budget against these amounts in a manner consistent with the grant agreement (note: the resolution should be corrected to refer to 2009 accounts rather than 2008).
5. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; to expend amounts for equipment deemed necessary to the operation of the program; and to expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2009.

Fiscal Impact

1. The resolution in file #090439 provides for acceptance and expenditure of grant funding in the amount of \$232,448, entirely grantor share.
2. This resolution has no impact on the property tax levy.

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