

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

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File Number 110700 is a resolution relative to the application, acceptance and funding of the LAUNCH (Linking Actions for Unmet Needs in Children's Health) Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Background

1. The purpose of the LAUNCH program is to promote wellness in the population of children from birth to 8 years of age. The program is designed to address physical, emotional, social, cognitive and behavioral aspects of development.
2. The program targets an 8-zip code area with activities that include: home visitation, parent education, mental health consultation, organization of 'play and learn' groups, and developmental assessments.
3. One specific role planned for the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) is coordination of a Milwaukee Young Child Wellness Council.
4. One critical outcome of LAUNCH activities will be improved coordination of child-serving systems and infrastructure through partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Discussion

1. This new grant for \$639,000 is funded by the grantor in the amount of \$612,000 with a City Match of \$27,000 from funds budgeted to the MHD.
2. The period of the grant is October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012.
3. Six existing positions are supported by the grant. These are positions for 4 Public Health Nurses (3.25 FTE), 1 Public Health Nurse Supervisor, and 1 Health Project Coordinator. No new positions are authorized.
4. The grantor share is budgeted as follows:

Personnel	\$235,000
Fringe (50%)	117,500
Supplies	1,400
Services	15,100
Contractual	
Home Visitation	183,000
Consultant	60,000

TOTAL \$612,000

5. The resolution in File #110700 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$612,000 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2011 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.

6. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant and the proposed budget, to expend from these amounts and incur costs for purposes including the purchase of equipment, employee travel and training, and entry into subcontracts.

Fiscal Impact

1. The resolution authorizes acceptance of \$612,000 grantor share funds and a City Match of \$27,000 from currently budgeted amounts.
2. No new O&M funding is authorized and there is no impact on the Tax Levy.

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