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..Title
Resolution directing the office of the Comptroller to prepare and issue a request for proposals for the conduct of an audit of the Milwaukee Health Department's lead abatement programs and appropriating up to \$250,000 from the Common Council contingent fund for this purpose.

..Analysis
This resolution directs the office of the Comptroller to prepare and issue a request for proposals for the conduct of an audit of the Milwaukee Health Department's lead abatement programs. It further appropriates up to \$250,000 from the Common Council contingent fund for this purpose.

..Body
Whereas, Common Council members have expressed concerns over the adequacy and accuracy of data provided by the Milwaukee Health Department in relation to its operations and programs; and

Whereas, The failure of the Health Department to notify thousands of families that their children have tested positive for elevated levels of lead in their blood represents a catastrophic failure of the current administration; and

Whereas, An investigation by an independent third party would provide the information about the department's lead programs that Common Council members have been seeking; and

Whereas, The Common Council is particularly interested in an identification, by race and aldermanic district, of the number of Milwaukee children identified to have elevated blood lead levels, the number of families that were inadequately informed about the results of blood lead testing, and the number of children that did and did not receive treatment or lead abatement to their living environments to address elevated blood lead levels; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the office of the Comptroller is directed to prepare and issue a request for proposals for the conduct of an audit of the Milwaukee Health Department's lead abatement programs and; be it

Further Resolved, That any audit agreement shall require the auditor to report the findings of the audit to the Common Council within 180 days of execution of an audit agreement, but any audit agreement shall also include terms for extending the length of the audit beyond 180 days if significant issues requiring additional investigation or analysis are uncovered; and, be it

Further Resolved, That any audit agreement shall require the auditor to provide monthly progress reports to the Steering and Rules Committee for the duration of the audit; and, be it

Further Resolved, That \$250,000 shall be reserved and appropriated from the 2018 Common Council Contingent Fund (0001-9990-C001-006300) for this purpose; and be it

Further Resolved, That Common Council File Number 171524 is rescinded.

..Requestor

..Drafter
James R. Owczarski
February 28, 2018