

LRB – FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

DECEMBER 4, 2003 AGENDA
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 8, FILE 031125
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File No. 031125 is a resolution relating to the Milwaukee Fire Department's application for, acceptance and expenditure of a Federal Fiscal Year 2003 Homeland Security Preparedness Equipment Grant Program as administered by the Milwaukee County Emergency Management. (Fire Department)

Background

1. The Milwaukee Fire Department provides citizens and visitors of the City first responder fire fighting and emergency medical services (EMS) and special rescue services to the while promoting public safety.
2. The United States Office of Justice provides financial assistance for first responders through federal grants. The Milwaukee County Emergency Management coordinates and distributes federal and state first responder grants, including various Wisconsin Homeland Security equipment grants.
3. The Milwaukee Fire Department Heavy Urban Rescue Team (HURT) has received \$80,626 total in prior awards, including: \$47,991 in FY2002, \$32,635 in FY2003 (Part I).

Discussion

1. The Wisconsin Homeland Security Preparedness Equipment Grant Program operates from the award date until January 31, 2004.
2. The Fire Department wishes to apply for, accept, and expend a Wisconsin Homeland Security Preparedness Equipment Grant Program grant for up to \$52,795. The grant will be used toward the following purchases:
 - a. Video Surveillance Equipment for Head Quarters, \$18,000
 - b. CBRNE (Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, or Explosive) Search Rescue Equipment, \$32,635 and
 - c. Hazardous Materials, Chemical/Biological Detectors, \$2,160
3. The grant award letter indicates that reimbursements to the MFD may be made upon the MFD submitting eligible purchase orders to the Milwaukee County Emergency Management on or before January 31, 2004.

Fiscal Impact

This resolution authorizes the MFD to apply, accept and expend up to \$52,795 in grants from the FY2003 Wisconsin Homeland Security Preparedness Equipment Grant Program.

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