

Reply to Common Council File No. 050372  
From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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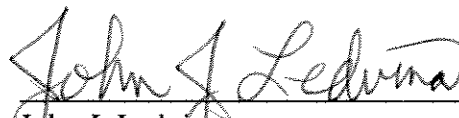
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Common Council File No. 050372 is a substitute resolution authorizing the Health Department to apply for, accept, and fund a Comprehensive Home Visiting Grant. This new \$1,233,128 grant is provided by the State of Wisconsin Division of Health and Family Services. There is a \$15,000 (or 1%) city matching share. The grant period is July 1, 2005 through December 31, 2006, with future renewals likely. The grant will enable the Health Department to serve up to 700 families in a 6 zip code target area to: (1) improve pregnancy outcomes, (2) enhance family functioning, (3) prevent child abuse and neglect and (4) prepare children for school.

This 5-1/2 year grant program will help the Health Department in Creating Early Childhood Conditions that Lead to Success (a key Mayoral outcome), reduce infant mortality (a major goal of the city's Strategic Plan), and improve family safety through abuse and neglect prevention..

The grant funds all or part of six positions including two Public Health Nurses, provides program supplies and equipment, and funds contractual services including Case Management/Home Visiting and CM/HV protocol development.

**RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE 050372 WHICH AUTHORIZES ACCEPTANCE AND FUNDING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE HOME VISITING GRANT.**

  
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