

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

**COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

ITEM 11, FILE #070542

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File Number 070542 is a resolution relative to entering into the 2008 through 2011 Bibliographic Database, Resource and Member Agreements between the City of Milwaukee, Milwaukee Public Library and the Milwaukee County Federated Library System.

Background

1. The Milwaukee County Federated Library System (MCFLS) was established in 1973 to facilitate the orderly and efficient operation of cooperative public library services throughout Milwaukee County. The Milwaukee Public Library (MPL) has been a member of MCFLS since its formation. This resolution authorizes MPL to enter into 3 agreements with MCFLS.

Discussion

1. In the Bibliographic Database Agreement, MPL agrees to provide services related to the bibliographic development and maintenance of the system-wide cataloging services and authority databases for all MCFLS members. MCFLS shall fund 85% of the cost of technical services staff who perform the work. This includes salary and fringe benefits; the formula will be adjusted annually. For the year 2008 this payment from MCFLS to MPL equals \$493,296.
2. In the Resource Agreement, MPL is designated as the Resource Library for MCFLS. As part of this agreement MPL will continue to provide backup references services to residents of MCFLS member communities as required by state law and regulations governing Resource Libraries. The city will be provided payment in consideration for services rendered under this agreement. The payment amount shall be 8% of State System Aid received by MCFLS designated for each year of the term of this agreement, or \$230,000 per year, whichever is greater.
3. In the Member Agreement, every library provides the same service to county residents that it provides to its own patrons through the county wide shared CountyCat system, delivery, cataloging and reciprocal borrowing agreements. For these benefits, MPL will pay an estimated amount of \$200,000 for postage and supplies and \$471,548 annually for telephone notification service, computer maintenance.

Fiscal Impact

1. The terms of the 3 agreements shall be from January 1, 2008 until December 31, 2011.

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