### LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

# **PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE**

ITEM 25, FILE # 060379

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File # 060379 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Grant.

### **Background**

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund a Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Grant project from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.
- 2. This is a grant continuation.

## **Discussion**

- 1. The purpose of this grant project is to increase the number of low-income and medically under-served women 45-65 years of age to be screened for breast and cervical cancer and improve the quality of screening, referral and follow-up.
- 2. Statistics from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services indicate that approximately 950 Wisconsin women die from breast and cervical cancer each year.
- 3. Early detection of the disease through screening could prevent up to one-third of deaths attributable to breast and cervical cancer.
- 4. This MHD program seeks to promote and enhance opportunities for poor, minority and older women to be screened, especially in circumstances where cost, testing availability and lack of primary medical care are factors.
- 5. MHD staff members are currently evaluating the use of the mammography van and its utilization in providing mobile screening.
- 6. In 2005 approximately 1,400 women were served in the Well Women's Program, including participation in breast and cervical screens.
- 7. A key component of this health department program is to provide linkages and referrals to primary health care providers for participants in the screening program.
- 8. This grant encompasses the period of July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

### **Fiscal Effect**

- 1. The total amount of this grant is \$110,000, entirely from the grantor. No city matching funds are required.
- 2. This grant funds (\$102,647) two existing health department positions with salary and fringe benefits:
  - 1 Office Assistant II (SG 410)
  - 1 Public Health Educator II (SG 593)
- 3. This grant also funds:
  - Program and medical supplies (\$3,242)
  - Outreach and education (\$1,000)
  - Travel and training expenses (\$1,000)
  - Miscellaneous office services (\$2,111)
- 4. This funding is a similar amount as in the previous year's grant.

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