

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE  
ITEM 13, FILE #081426

FEBRUARY 25, 2009

File #081426 extends a Law Enforcement and Security Services Grant Agreement between the Milwaukee Brewers and the City of Milwaukee for the period March 25, 2009 through October 31, 2009. Under terms of the Agreement, the Milwaukee Police Department (“MPD”) shall provide officers and supervisors for security, traffic control and law enforcement duty at Miller Park for all Brewers home baseball games and all other scheduled (or to be scheduled) special events at the facility. Police officers, sergeants and lieutenants who make up this staffing shall be compensated at current overtime rates of pay, with the Milwaukee Brewers reimbursing the City on a monthly basis for these services. While the Agreement does not limit the total amount which may be invoiced, this resolution provides authority in the amount of \$1,500,000 for these reimbursements.

**BACKGROUND**

Files #011573 and #021317 provided criteria and a policy for accepting law enforcement grants from tax-exempt public or quasi-public entities. The Milwaukee Brewers Baseball Club, in operating a large sports venue – Miller Park – within the city of Milwaukee with all real and associated property exempt from general property taxation, meet all of these requirements.

With the approval of File #041449, the City entered into the first formal Security Agreement with the Brewers to provide police staffing at Miller Park. The 2-year agreement effectively encompassed the 2005 and 2006 baseball seasons, and provided \$800,000 in grant authority for reimbursements. File #060321 amended File #041449 by providing authority for the Police Department to accept an additional \$400,000 from the Brewers during this time frame.

File #061452 approved a new 2-year Security Agreement for the 2007 and 2008 seasons, providing grant authority of \$1,200,000. However, in June 2008, it was anticipated that the Brewers would exceed the \$1,200,000 amount as a result of higher game attendance and an increase in the salary rate for Police Officers. File #080317 amended File #061452 so that the Police Department could accept additional grant funding in the amount of \$800,000 during the 2-year contract period.

**DISCUSSION**

The Milwaukee Brewers and Milwaukee Police Department have chosen to exercise the “2009 Option” to the Security Agreement signed in March 2007. Approval of this resolution authorizes this extension and provides for \$1,500,000 in grant authority for the 2009 season. Per the Agreement and correspondence from the Brewers and Chief of Police, overtime reimbursement rates in 2009 will be capped as follows:

Position	2009 Option Rate Cap
Police Officers	\$45.97
Sergeants	\$50.46
Lieutenants	\$58.93

**FISCAL IMPACT**

No direct or in-kind City participation is required. Per the Agreement, the MPD provides all law enforcement equipment and supplies necessary for operations at Miller Park.

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