

Reply to Common Council File No. 031126

From DOA-Budget and Management Division

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Common Council File No. 031126 is a substitute resolution authorizing the Milwaukee Fire Department (MFD) to accept and expend a grant to support the Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS). This is a new grant from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

The goal of the MMRS grant program is to provide additional support to communities identified by the Federal government as at risk for potential acts of domestic terrorism. This funding will be used to support the city's HazMED response system and will augment previous grant funding.

The grant will provide funding for one new position of MMRS Coordinator (at the Battalion Chief level) as well as equipment and supplies required to prepare for and manage incidents involving domestic acts of terrorism. This grant will also provide support the Fire Department's operations in other events that threaten public safety.

The grant award amount is \$280,000 and the grant period is from September 30, 2003 to September 29, 2004.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE 031126 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE MILWAUKEE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND A GRANT TO SUPPORT THE METROPOLITAN MEDICAL RESPONSE SYSTEM.


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