

## LRB - RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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ITEM 15, FILE # 080017

**File # 080017 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Beach Monitoring Grant.**

### **Background**

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Beach Monitoring Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
2. This is a continuing grant.

### **Discussion**

1. The purpose of this project is to implement bacterial monitoring of water quality at Wisconsin public beaches to promote public health and to prevent communicable diseases and injuries due to pollution. This grant award supports monitoring of 5 public beaches.
2. Beach monitoring is conducted on a seasonal basis, Memorial Day through Labor Day in compliance with Wisconsin statutes and will be conducted in accordance with proposed rules and regulations relating to Lake Michigan public beaches. The public will be advised of beach water quality.
3. This grant period extends from May 1, 2008, through September 30, 2008; funding is provided annually.
4. The resolution in File #080017 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$20,063 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2008 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to expend from these budgeted amounts and incur costs consistent with the grant.

### **Fiscal Impact**

1. The total amount of this grant is \$20,063, entirely grantor share.
2. The grant partially funds 1 existing MHD position:
  - 1 Environmental and Disease Control Specialist, SG 547 (\$9,062 in salary and fringe)

3. An amount of \$5,025 has been budgeted for laboratory supplies to test for e-coli, and an amount of \$5,000 for a consultant (Great Lakes Water Institute) to conduct predictive modeling.

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