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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 7, FILE #071211

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File Number 071211 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of a Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Grant (Police Department).

Background

- 1. Through the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Grant, the Wisconsin Office of Justice Assistance and the Milwaukee County District Attorney's Office make federal funds available to the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) to prevent and suppress illegal drug activity.
- 2. This is a continuing grant. On February 6, 2007 the Common Council adopted CCFN 061227 that authorized MPD to accept a Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$221,438, which was matched by \$72,970 in City funding, for a total project cost of \$294,408.

Discussion

- 1. The purpose of this grant project is to reduce the volume of illegal controlled-substance activity in the Milwaukee area.
- 2. In 2007, this grant funded one Lieutenant of Detectives position, one Detective position and one Police Officer position in the Vice Control Division of the Milwaukee Police Department. The 2008 grant budget calls for funding the same 3 positions with grant funds.
- 3. The grant period extends from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2008.

Fiscal Impact

1. The total cost of this grant-funded project is \$281,208, with a grantor share of \$209,085 (75%) and a City share of \$72,123 (25%). The expenditure breakdown is as follows:

Salaries (3 MPD positions)	\$193,157
Fringe Benefits (3 MPD positions)	\$61,810
Confidential Funds	\$26,241
TOTAL	\$281,208

- 2. Grant funding for this project decreases by \$13,200 (4.5%) in 2008.
- 3. The City contribution funds a share of the salary and fringe-benefit expenditures, but not the Confidential Funds.

4. This resolution also amends the 2008 Positions Ordinance to change the budgetary footnote for the 3 MPD positions funded by this grant project to provide that position authority shall expire on December 31, 2008 unless the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Grant is extended.

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