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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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File Number 060979 is a resolution relating to application for, and acceptance and funding of, a Beat Patrol Program Grant.

Background

1. Through the Beat Patrol Program, the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance makes funds available to local law enforcement agencies to assist them in working with residents to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues.
2. The Milwaukee Police Department received a \$150,000 Beat Patrol Grant for 2006. This money was used to partially fund 6 beat patrol officers assigned to work in the Walker's Square area of Police District 2. (The remainder of the funding needed for these positions came from MPD's salary budget).

Discussion

1. The Milwaukee Police Department uses Beat Patrol Program Grant funds to pay for beat patrol officers who work with residents of selected neighborhoods to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues in those neighborhoods.
2. The grant period extends from January 1, 2007, through December 31, 2007.

Fiscal Impact

1. Total 2007 personnel costs (salaries and fringe benefits) for 6 beat patrol Police Officers are \$461,383. The Beat Patrol Program Grant will provide \$150,000 (32.5%) toward these costs. The City will provide an in-kind contribution of \$311,383 (67.5%) to cover the balance of the costs.
2. The City portion of this grant project is included in the Police Department's 2007 salary budget and fringe benefit offset.

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