

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

JUNE 21, 2012

ITEM 17, FILE # 120245

File Number 120245 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the Congenital Disorders Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to apply for, accept and fund the Congenital Disorders program from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.
2. This is a grant continuation most recently authorized by Common Council Resolution File Number 110154. MHD has received funding for this program for approximately 20 years.
3. The purpose of this program is to provide screening for all newborn infants in the Milwaukee area for rare disorders including hypothyroidism and sickle cell diseases. Screening is informed by the recommendations of the National Committee for Newborn Screening. Approximately 100 infants and families require follow-up annually. The City of Milwaukee has countywide responsibilities under the grant.
4. It is estimated that 90% of the identified cases of sickle cell disease in Wisconsin are persons who live in the Milwaukee area.
5. In addition to screening, project outreach assists families in accessing medical care for medical testing and appropriate continuing care from medical providers. MHD staff participation in this grant includes advocacy and education regarding congenital disorders.
6. The Congenital Disorders program also provides education to clients and medical professionals regarding newborn screenings. Children with positive screens are referred to appropriate medical providers.

Discussion

1. The proposed new grant period is July 1, 2012, through June 30, 2013.
2. Funding for this continuing grant is entirely from the grantor agency and is the same amount as authorized for the current program year. The budget provides:

Personnel

1 Public Health Nurse Supervisor (1.0 FTE at SG 07)	\$ 55,178
1 Public Health Nurse (0.70 FTE at PR 666)	34,489

Fringe

50%	44,833
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Travel/Training

500

TOTAL \$135,000

3. The resolution in File Number 120245 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$135,000 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2012 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
4. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to expend from these budgeted amounts and to incur costs consistent with the award documents including costs of travel and training, and to enter into subcontracts.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount of this grant is \$135,000, entirely from the grantor.
2. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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