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File #060867 is a resolution related to authorization for the acceptance and expenditure of contributions received by the Milwaukee Public Library for library programs and materials.

Background and Discussion

1. This approves authorizes the Milwaukee Public Library (MPL) to accept and expend contributions from the Milwaukee Public Library Foundation for library materials and programs up to \$1,000,000 in annual contributions.
2. MPL fosters lifelong learning, increases the education attainment of its citizens and improves the overall quality of life in Milwaukee. The Library Foundation provides funding support through private contributions for library materials and programs to ensure that MPL is responsive to community needs. The funding is over and above City funding allocations.
3. The fiscal note states that the actual contributions may differ substantially. The Library Foundation has made the following contributions from 2002 through 2006:

| Grants to MPL | 2002 | 2003 | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 YTD* |
|----------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|
| Books and materials | \$461,684 | \$328,991 | \$272,329 | \$325,811 | \$101,571 |
| Programs | \$127,823 | \$266,905 | \$87,999 | \$97,852 | \$49,839 |
| Total Grants | \$589,507 | \$595,896 | \$360,328 | \$423,663 | \$151,410 |

** Through September, 2006*

Fiscal Impact

1. The Library Foundation will provide MPL up to \$1 million annually for the years 2007, 2008, and 2009 for library materials, and programs.
2. The Agreement period is from January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009.

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