

Reply to Common Council File No. 001387

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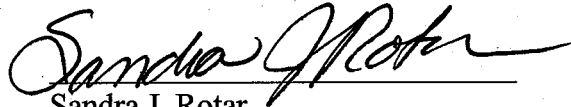
Common Council File 001387 contains a resolution authorizing the Milwaukee Police Department to accept and expend funds forfeited through the Milwaukee Metropolitan Drug Enforcement Group (MMDEG) for official use in furthering law enforcement objectives.

The MMDEG is a drug investigation task force made up of the Milwaukee Police Department, the County Sheriff and several suburban police departments. Occasionally, the task force seizes assets through the Federal Equitable Sharing Program. The cooperative agreement among MMDEG participating agencies provides that most of the seized assets be contributed back to the participating agencies, proportional to their level of commitment to the task force. Adoption of this resolution will establish a contribution account for the deposit and expenditure of forfeited funds received through MMDEG.

At this time, the Department is unsure of the dollar amount that will be received through this program in 2001. However, adoption of this file establishes a contribution account and allows the Police Department to receive and expend forfeited funds from this program – if funds become available.

Adoption of this file does not have a fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MILWAUKEE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FUNDS FORFEITED THROUGH THE MILWAUKEE METROPOLITAN DRUG ENFORCEMENT GROUP (MMDEG).


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