

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
SEPTEMBER 30, 2010
Item 5, File #100603**

File Number 100603 is a resolution authorizing the Police Department to apply for, accept and expend a COPS Technology 2010 Police Technology Solutions Grant in the amount of \$550,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Community Oriented Policing Services.

Background

1. The U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (“COPS”) offers various grants intended to shift law enforcement’s focus to preventing, rather than reacting, to crime and disorder, to develop state-of-the art training and technical assistance for law enforcement officers’ problem-solving skills, and to support effective, evidence-based community policing practices.
2. The Milwaukee Police Department appears to be eligible to receive COPS grant funding from the COPS Technology 2010 Police Technology Solution Grant program.
3. In 2009, the City of Milwaukee was awarded two COPS Technology grants – one in the amount of \$100,000 to fund the purchase of in-squad video/audio systems (CC File No. 090517) and another in the amount of \$650,000 to fund the purchase of two gunshot locator systems (CC File No. 090520).

Discussion

1. This resolution authorizes the Police Department to apply for, accept and expend a COPS 2010 Police Technology Solutions Grant in the amount of \$550,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.
2. The grant period for this grant extends from September 1, 2010 through December 15, 2012.
3. This project is 100% grantor-funded; there is no City cash match or in-kind contribution.
4. Grant proceeds will be to fund two MPD -- the purchase of an enhanced employee performance evaluation system and the purchase of eight replacement automatic fingerprint stations. Specific expenses listed on the grant budget are as follows:

8 automatic fingerprint stations and printers	\$228,770
Electronic performance evaluation system software license	\$180,000
2 years maintenance – fingerprint stations	\$68,155
Training (for both systems)	\$44,075
One year maintenance – perf. eval. system	\$27,000
Record management interface – fingerprint stations	\$2,000
TOTAL	\$550,000

Fiscal Impact

This resolution authorizes the receipt and expenditure of \$550,000 in federal grant dollars. It does not obligate the City to make a cash match or in-kind contribution.

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