

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 6, FILE # 030795

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File # 030795 is a resolution authorizing the appropriate city officials to enter into a memorandum of understanding relating to the creation of a Milwaukee County/Waukesha County Consortium of Emergency Public Health Preparedness.

Background

This resolution authorizes the appropriate city officials to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) relating to the creation of a Milwaukee County/Waukesha County Consortium of Emergency Public Health Preparedness.

Discussion

1. This consortium will include 14 Milwaukee County health departments as well as the Waukesha County Department of Health and Human Services.
2. This consortium is proposed in order to strengthen the competence, capability, coordination and readiness of public health agencies in southeastern Wisconsin. Furthermore, this consortium is required by federal law to accept and spend money under the terms of the grant funding received.
3. The primary funding for the Consortium will come from the State of Wisconsin with a cooperative agreement from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (Bioterrorism Preparation and Planning Grant).
4. Each member of the consortium will maintain its independent legal authority relative to its jurisdiction.
5. One member of the consortium, the Wauwatosa Health Department, will act as lead administrative agency and fiscal agent. The fiscal agent will receive and manage funds on behalf of the consortium and receive a 10% administrative fee on grant monies received on behalf of the consortium.
6. The memorandum of understanding is to continue indefinitely as necessary. Bylaws are to be adopted by the Board of Directors (one representative from each of the members with the City of Milwaukee and Waukesha County having 2 representatives) of the Consortium. The Commissioner of Health will appoint the Milwaukee representatives.
7. Any employees to be hired will be under the immediate supervision of the fiscal agent of the consortium.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with the approval of this MOU. Any funds required for staffing and other operations will be provided through the grant dollars received.

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