Reply to Common Council File No. 041277

From DOA-Budget and Policy Division

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Common Council File 041277 contains a resolution from the Milwaukee Health Department relative to the acceptance and funding of the Lead Demonstration Grant. It approves an increase of \$169,128 in City matching funds. The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development originally awarded the \$5,034,229 grant comprised of \$4,000,000 in grantor share and \$1,034,229 in City matching funds that was accepted by Council file 041037. File 041277 would approve increasing the City match to \$1,203,357 and the overall grant amount to \$5,203,357. The grant period is January 1, 2005 through December 31, 2007.

The purpose of the grant is to make an additional 1,295 housing units lead safe. The City will contract with community based organizations to assure lead safe and habitable housing in targeted areas. The multi-year grant is slightly restructured with the grantor share paying for a Lead Project Coordinator (\$110,783 + \$39,882 fringe benefits) while the City increases its share of payments to lead abatement contractors by \$150,725 and indirect costs by \$18,403.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE THE RESOLUTION RESTRUCTURING THE LEAD DEMONSTATION GRANT.

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