

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 6, FILE 071224

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File 071224 is a resolution relative to application of the Fiscal Year 2007 Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Background and Discussion

1. This grant will be used to implement a pilot project that provides hard wire smoke detectors in 72 households in selected target areas. Work will be performed by electricians licensed by the City of Milwaukee.
2. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Fire Department to apply for Fiscal Year 2007 Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).
3. The grant award totals \$504,000 with a grantor share of \$403,200; a city share of \$100,800 is required. The operating grant budget attached to the file indicates the \$403,200 federal grant share is designated as operating expenditures for a professional services contract. It has been estimated that installation will range from \$5,000 to \$8,000 per unit according to discussions with licensed electricians.
4. The Fire Department is soliciting non-city funds to support the required match.
5. If the grant application is approved, the department will then request authority to accept and expend the grant and contributions.

Fiscal Impact

The resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Fire Department to apply for Fiscal Year 2007 Assistance to Firefighters Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

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