

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

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Item 9, File #091639

File Number 091639 is a resolution authorizing and funding a 3-month extension of the contract between the Department of City Development and the Milwaukee County Cooperative Extension (University of Wisconsin System) for Cooperative Extension services to assist the City in carrying out foreclosure-related initiatives of the federally-funded Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

Background

1. In 2008, the City received approximately \$9.2 million from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Neighborhood Stabilization Program ("NSP") to assist the City in addressing the adverse effects of abandoned and foreclosed properties on Milwaukee neighborhoods.
2. On October 29, 2008, the Common Council adopted File Number 080885, a resolution authorizing the Department of City Development to enter into a contract with the Milwaukee County Cooperative Extension (an agency of the University of Wisconsin System) for consulting services to be provided by the Cooperative Extension to the City. Under this contract, the Cooperative Extension provides the services of a "Foreclosure Partnership Manager" who assists the City in carrying out programs and activities funded by the NSP.
3. Specific services provided by the Cooperative Extension to the City under this contract include planning, data collection, legal expertise, and community education and outreach services to support NSP-funded activities.
4. The contract authorized by File 080885 provides for an 18-month time-for-performance period extending from October 1, 2008 through March 31, 2010, with an option to extend the contract for an additional 90 days (through June 30, 2010).
5. The contract provided for the University to be compensated at the rate of \$5,000 per month, for a total of \$90,000.

Discussion

1. The City and the Cooperative Extension now desire to exercise their option to extend the contract for Foreclosure Partnership Manager Services.
2. This resolution authorizes the Department of City Development to enter into a 3-month extension of its contract with the Cooperative Extension. This extension is described in Amendment No. 1 to Contract Non. 08-025 (CM), a copy of which is included in the file.

3. The resolution also increases funding for the contract by \$15,000, from \$90,000 to \$105,000.

Fiscal Impact

1. This resolution authorizes City expenditures of \$15,000.
2. Adoption of this resolution will have no fiscal impact on the City, as the additional \$15,000 for the contract extension will be reimbursed by federal NSP funds received by the City.

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