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PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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File Number 061412 is a resolution approving a Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions for the Port of Milwaukee.

Background

1. Pursuant to Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WISDOT) requires each local unit of government that intends to apply for Federal and/or State aid for harbor improvement projects under WISDOT's Harbor Assistance Program to submit a "Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions" by April 1 each year.
2. The Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions is used by WISDOT for planning purposes only and is not an application for Federal and/or State aid.
3. The Port of Milwaukee has prepared a Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions for 2007 to 2009 that includes a project description, anticipated construction year, State/City cost distribution and estimated project cost for each major capital improvement planned for Milwaukee's harbor during those years.

Discussion

1. The Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions for 2007 to 2009 is as follows:

Application Date	Construction Year	Project Description	Funding State-City	Estimated Cost
2007	2007 – 2008	Fender Improvements (various locations)	80% - 20%	\$ 100,000
2007	2007 – 2008	Terminal Paving Rehabilitation and Related Work (various locations)	80% - 20%	\$ 200,000
2008	2008 – 2009	Cargo Handling Equipment and Related Work	80% - 20%	\$5,000,000
2008	2008 – 2009	Pier/Berth Channel Improvements (dredging & related work, various locations)	80% - 20%	\$1,000,000
2008	2008 – 2009	Trans Load Terminal and Related Equipment	80% - 20%	\$1,750,000
2009	2009 – 2010	City Heavy Lift Dock Improvements	80% - 20%	\$2,600,000
2009	2009 - 2010	Carferry and/or Harbor Drive Rail, Road and Drainage Reconstruction	80% - 20%	\$1,500,000

2. This Statement of Intentions is similar to the 2006-2008 Statement of Intentions. The 2 new items are the cargo handling equipment and the trans load terminal (replaced liquid cargo pier rehabilitation and barge terminal construction on last year's Statement). Also, Carferry Drive has been included along with Harbor Drive for possible rail, road and drainage reconstruction work.

3. The Board of Harbor Commissioners unanimously approved the Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions at its January 19, 2007, meeting.

Fiscal Impact

1. Adoption of this resolution has no fiscal impact on the City.
2. The Three-Year Harbor Development Statement of Intentions does not obligate the City to apply for or accept grant funds or to make any other financial commitment to harbor improvements. The Statement of Intentions is used by WISDOT for planning and budgetary purposes only.

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