

## **LRB RESEARCH & ANALYSIS**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2009 AGENDA**

**ITEM 24, FILE 090461**

**PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

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Resolution #090461 is a resolution relative to application for, acceptance and expenditure of 2010 State of Wisconsin recycling grants.

### **BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION**

1. The Department of Public Works (DPW) annually submits a resolution to authorize DPW to apply for, accept and expend the Basic Recycling Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.
2. DPW currently has 28 summer and 31 winter cart routes and 3 weekly bin routes servicing approximately 190,000 residences. The Department annually collects approximately 25,000 tons of curbside recyclables, 30,000 tons of yard trimmings and 4,000 tons of other recyclable items collected at self-help stations.
3. The 2010-11 bi-annual State of Wisconsin Budget provides \$31,098,100 million to fund the State's recycling grant program for 2010 and \$32,098,100 for 2011.
4. DPW estimates the City will receive \$3,545,000 for the City's 2010 recycling program. The total cost of the City's 2009 recycling activities (recycling, composting, and waste reduction) is estimated to be \$11,900,000 with the City providing \$8,355,000 and the balance (\$3,545,000) provided by the State's recycling grant.
5. There are 31 Operations Driver Worker positions supported by this grant.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The resolution authorizes the application, acceptance and expenditure of \$3,545,000 for the 2010 State of Wisconsin's Basic Recycling Grant.

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

1. In recent years, the City also received funding from the State's Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant, including \$329,596.58 awarded to Milwaukee for 2009. The 2010-11 bi-annual State of Wisconsin Budget eliminated funding for the Recycling Efficiency Incentive Grant program.

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