

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 27, FILE # 040378

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File # 040378 is a resolution authorizing the Milwaukee Police Department to accept donations of equipment and money for use by the Mounted Patrol Unit.

Background

This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) to accept donations of equipment and money for use by the Mounted Patrol Unit.

Discussion

1. The Mounted Patrol Unit of MPD, particularly the care of the horses, is currently subsidized by funds received through the Asset Forfeiture Plan. In 2002, \$70,000 was contributed by this fund for the mounted patrol; in 2003, \$100,000. MPD does not anticipate that the mounted patrol can continue to be funded, in its entirety, through the Asset Forfeiture Plan and on a continuing basis.
2. This resolution will authorize MPD to seek alternative avenues of funding, most particularly for equipment and supplies, from private organizations.
3. Authority to accept such donations is continued unless otherwise rescinded or amended by future Common Council action.

Fiscal Impact

There is no fiscal impact associated with this resolution.

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