LRB - FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 7, FILE 001562

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File #001562 is a resolution relative to application, acceptance and funding of the AIDS/HIV Testing and Counseling Grant by the Health Department.

Background and Discussion

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Health Department to apply for, accept and fund the AIDS/HIV Testing and Counseling Grant project from the State of Wisconsin Division of Health and Family Services. The purpose of the grant is to assist in funding testing and counseling activities.
- 2. This is a new grant. The program is not new. The funding mechanism has changed for the testing and counseling activities. In the past, the department has tested clients for AIDS/HIV and the State would reimburse the City for the testing and counseling services. The reimbursement was \$8 per individual tested. The State is now providing funds through the grant process.
- 3. In 2000, the Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD) Clinic tested 4,806 clients for AIDS/HIV. Those tested are at high risk for HIV with a 3.5% positive rate. The target group represents residents of the city that would not seek HIV testing elsewhere. Through this grant agreement, the department serves as the State's testing and counseling agent for AIDS/HIV infected individuals.
- 4. The grant provides funding for test kits, laboratory diagnostic supplies, and educational materials.

Fiscal Impact

1. The funding for the AIDS/HIV Counseling and Testing Grant is \$48,000 from the grantor. There is no City in-kind share.

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