

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

ITEM 21, FILE 071106

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File 071106 is a resolution relating to application for, and acceptance and funding of, a 2008 State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry Grant (Department of Public Works).

Background and Discussion

1. The purpose of this grant is to conduct a tree canopy analysis to identify ash trees throughout the city on both public and private property to assist in Emerald Ash Borer planning and to quantify the environmental benefits of the urban forest.
2. The total project cost is \$54,367, of which \$25,000 (46%) will be provided by the grantor, and \$29,367 (54%) will be provided in-kind by the City.
3. Based on the Department of Public Works estimates, the City funds will pay for:

▪ Technical Services Supervisor	\$1,634
▪ Urban Forestry Specialist	\$13,421
▪ Urban Forestry Interns	\$5,812
▪ PDAs – 4 units	\$1,200
▪ Fringe Benefits (48.49%)	\$7,300
Total	\$29,367

Fiscal Impact

The resolution authorizes the application, acceptance and expenditure of a \$25,000 grant from a 2008 State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Urban Forestry Grant. It also authorizes the expenditure of \$29,367 in Department of Public Works funds.

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