LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE JUNE 21, 2012 ITEM 13, # 120240

File Number 120240 is a resolution authorizing the application for, and acceptance and funding of, the 2012 SURVNET grant from the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Background

1. SURVNET is a centralized communicable disease reporting network within Milwaukee County that is operated by the City of Milwaukee Health Department supported by this continuing grant funding.
2. State and federal laws require that health providers, including clinical laboratories, public health agencies, hospitals, physicians and others, promptly report certain communicable diseases to state health authorities. These reports provide for the prompt detection of clusters and outbreaks of diseases across multiple jurisdictions and permit a timely and coordinated response to contain the spread of disease.

Discussion

1. This continuing grant from the State of Wisconsin supports one full-time Office Assistant III and requires no City matching funds or in-kind share. The current grant was authorized by File Number 110577.
2. The term of this grant is from August 1, 2012 to July 31, 2013.
3. The grant provides $60,680 reflects a 3.9% increase over the amount awarded for the current program year. The grant is budgeted as follows:

Office Assistant III	$37,464
Fringe Benefits (48%)	18,732
Supplies	1,484
Software/Hardware Upgrades	3,000
TOTAL	**$60,680**

4. The resolution in File Number 120240 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit $60,680 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2012 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
5. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; and to expend funds for equipment, training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2012.

Fiscal Impact

This grant is 100% grantor funded and will have no impact on the tax levy.

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