

LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
FEBRUARY 17, 2011
Item 6, File #101269**

File Number 101269 is a resolution authorizing the Police Department to apply for, accept and expend a Project Safe Neighborhoods Homicide Review Commission Prolific Offender Grant in the amount of \$50,000 from the U.S. Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance through the State of Wisconsin, Office of Justice Assistance.

Background

1. On April 9, 2008, the Common Council adopted File Number 071578, a resolution authorizing the Police Department to apply for, accept and expend a \$265,102 grant from the University of Wisconsin Medical School to fund the City's Homicide Review Commission. The grant period for this funding, which did not require a local match, was from March 1, 2008, through December 31, 2010.
2. Proceeds from this grant were used in part to fund a contract with a consultant, Dr. Mallory O'Brien, who coordinated the Homicide Review Commission's activities and assisted in the collection, analysis and reporting of data to the Commission.
3. The Police Department desires to continue its contractual agreement with Dr. Mallory O'Brien to provide consulting services to the Homicide Review Commission.

Discussion

1. On January 1, 2011, the Police Department was awarded a \$50,000 Project Safe Neighborhoods Homicide Review Commission Prolific Offender Grant from the U.S. Department of Justice-Bureau of Justice Assistance through the State of Wisconsin, Office of Justice Assistance.
2. This resolution authorizes the Police Department to accept and expend these grant funds.
3. No local/City match is required for this grant-funded project, which will operate from January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011.
4. Grant proceeds will fund a contract with Dr. Mallory O'Brien to provide consulting services to the Homicide Review Commission (\$49,000), as well as the purchase of a desktop computer (\$1,000).

Fiscal Impact

Acceptance of this grant funding requires no City participation and has no impact on the tax levy.

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