

**LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION**

**FINANCE & PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

**ITEM 13, FILE 060424**

**JULY 26, 2006**

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File #060424 is a resolution authorizing and directing application by the City of Milwaukee for membership in ICLEI-Local Governments for Sustainability, and appropriating \$875 from the City Clerk’s Special Purpose Account for city memberships for the City’s 2006, pro-rated annual membership dues, and directing the proper City officials to endorse the U.S. Conference of Mayor’s Climate Protection Agreement.

**BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION**

1. This resolution authorizes the City of Milwaukee to apply for membership in the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) – Local Governments for Sustainability, by appropriating \$875 from the City Clerk’s special purpose account for City Membership. It directs proper city officials to endorse the U.S. Conference of Mayor’s Climate Protection Agreement.
2. ICLEI-Local Governments For Sustainability is an organization of local, national and regional governments with over 475 members worldwide. It promotes sustainable development at the local level by reducing and preventing global climate change through its Cities for Climate Protection Campaign. This includes urging local governments to enact policies to meet or exceed the target of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to 7% below 1990 levels by 2012, and supporting passage of federal greenhouse legislation.
3. In the 2006 Approved Budget, City Memberships special purpose account was funded at \$146,905. This account provides funding for memberships to various organizations that support the City’s lobbying, policy research, and professional development programs. The scheduled estimated 2006 appropriations for memberships included:

American Management Association	\$ 2,200
League of Wisconsin Municipalities	\$ 49,500
Government Finance Officers Association	\$ 1,675
National Forum Of Black Administrators	\$ 2,020
Public Policy Forum	\$ 1,000
Wisconsin Alliance of Cities	\$ 66,500
Sister Cities International	\$ 1,510
National League of Cities	\$ 22,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$146,905</b>

Disbursements through July 20, 2006, are \$114,683.11; \$49,625.11 for League of Wisconsin Municipalities and \$65,058 for Wisconsin Alliance of Cities, with a balance of \$32,221.89 in the special purpose account. *The pending 2006 membership appropriations are estimated at \$30,905.*

**FISCAL IMPACT**

1. This resolution authorizes the City of Milwaukee to apply for membership in the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) – Local Governments for Sustainability and appropriating \$875 for membership dues from the City Membership special purpose account.

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