File #090672 authorizes the City Engineer to accept incentives and rebates not to exceed $191,849 through We Energies' Focus on Energy Program. Monies will be used to reimburse the Traffic Control Facilities Program capital account for expenditures associated with earlier purchases and installations of Light Emitting Diode ("LED") signal heads at traffic signal locations within the City of Milwaukee.

BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION

In the normal course of maintaining and updating traffic control facilities, the Department of Public Works' Infrastructure Services Division has regularly purchased and installed LED signal heads at traffic signal locations in an effort to improve energy efficiency and reduce energy costs. We Energies provides various incentives and rebates for this type of energy efficiency improvement through its Focus on Energy Program.

However, because the Focus on Energy Program requires purchase and installation prior to providing these incentives and rebates, the $191,849 in revenues could not technically be budgeted within the Traffic Control Facilities Program, necessitating this resolution. Specifically, Section 304-91 of the Milwaukee Code of Ordinances establishes procedural guidelines related to the expenditure of funds to be reimbursed by greater than anticipated revenues. In this case, the "expenditure of funds" – the purchase and installation of LED signal heads – is being reimbursed by "greater than anticipated revenues – the Focus on Energy Program incentives and rebates.

FISCAL IMPACT

Approval of this file authorizes the Comptroller, per s. 304-91, to certify that greater than anticipated revenue in the amount of $191,849 is anticipated to be realized on or before December 31, 2009 for the purpose delineated above.

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