

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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ITEM 21, FILE # 110313

File Number 110313 is a resolution relating to application, acceptance and funding of the 2011 Public Health Preparedness Grant from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control through the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to accept continuing funding for public health preparedness from the Centers for Disease Control through the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services. The current grant award of \$ 329,733 was authorized by Resolution File # 091004.
2. The proposed continued funding supports the infrastructure and capacity of MHD to respond to emergencies including terrorism, pandemic influenza, and other communicable disease outbreaks.
3. Continuing goals of the Preparedness Grant are:
 - Increasing the use and development of interventions known to prevent human illness from chemical, biological, radiological agents, and naturally occurring health threats.
 - Decreasing the time needed to classify health events as terrorism or naturally occurring in partnership with other agencies.
 - Decreasing the time needed to detect and report chemical, biological, radiological agents in tissue, food or environmental samples that present a risk to human health.
 - Improving the timeliness and accuracy of communications related to threats to public health.
 - Decreasing the time to identify causes, risk factors, and appropriate interventions for persons affected by threats to public health.
 - Decreasing the time needed to implement countermeasures and to provide health guidance.
 - Decreasing the time needed to restore health services and environmental safety to pre-event levels.
 - Provide long-term follow-up for persons affected by an adverse public health event.
 - Decrease the implementation time for actions recommended by state and federal authorities in public health event follow-up reports.

Discussion

1. This grant is for \$331,629, entirely grantor share funds, which is \$1,896 (+0.6%) more than the previous award. The continued funding will support 1.0 FTE Telecommunications Analyst-Associate, 0.5 FTE Public Health Pandemic Planning Coordinator, 0.6 FTE Public Health Emergency Response Planning Coordinator, and 1.0 FTE Infectious Disease Epidemiologist, all existing positions.

2. This grant is for the period of August 1, 2011, through July 31, 2012.
3. The proposed Preparedness Grant budget is as follows:

Personnel	\$ 204,216
Fringe Benefits (50%)	102,108
Supplies	3,385
Training and Mileage/Parking	7,400
Blackberry Service (18 devices)	14,520

Grant total \$ 331,629

4. The resolution in File Number 110313 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$331,629 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2011 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 and to incur costs consistent with the award documents including costs of travel and training, and to enter into subcontracts.

Fiscal Impact

1. The proposed funding is for \$331,629 entirely grantor share.
2. This resolution has no impact on the tax levy.

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