

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 21 FILE # 041753

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File # 041753 is a substitute resolution appropriating up to \$225,000 from the Harassment Settlement Account in the Permanent Improvement Fund for the purchase of tracking/professional standards software for the Milwaukee Police Department.

Background

1. This resolution appropriates \$225,000 from the Harassment Settlement Account in the Permanent Improvement Fund for the purchase of tracking/professional standards software for the Milwaukee Police Department.
2. MPD is further authorized to spend up to \$225,000 for the purchase of this software.
3. The Harassment Settlement Account was established by Common Council Files 020125 and 020126 which authorized the acceptance of contributions from former Mayor John Norquist and his wife, Susan Mudd totaling \$375,000. These proceeds resulted from the dissolution of the Citizens for Norquist campaign fund.

Discussion

1. MPD and the Chief of Police desire a computer tracking system in order to track MPD personnel and behaviors, especially behaviors that may adversely affect citizens of the city with whom officers have contact.
2. The purpose of this tracking system is to further enhance MPD supervisor accountability and act as a performance measure and management system to identify problem behavior and offer assistance to correct the problem behaviors.

Fiscal Effect

1. The total amount appropriated by this resolution is \$225,000, entirely from the Harassment Settlement Account. No city tax levy dollars are included.
2. Further funding for this software is to be considered by separate resolutions.

Further Information

The estimate for the performance tracking software is approximately \$500,000. The amount appropriated in this resolution will be supplemented by \$100,000 from the MPD Asset Forfeiture Fund and the balance, approximately \$175,000, to come from the Department of Administration's Technology Initiative capital account.

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