

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION ANALYSIS

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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 8, FILE 051481
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File No. 050594 is a resolution amending Common Council File 050594 relative to the Milwaukee Fire Department’s application for, acceptance, and expenditure of the United States Fire Service Assistance in Response to Hurricane Katrina grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

Background

1. FEMA made available the United States Fire Service Response to Hurricane Katrina grant to fire departments that intend to respond to this call for service.
2. File 050594 authorized the Milwaukee Fire Department to apply for, accept and expend a \$531,719 FEMA US Fire Service Assistance in Response to Hurricane Katrina grant to fund salaries, overtime and miscellaneous supplies for up to 30 personnel deployed to assist in areas affected by Hurricane Katrina for a maximum time period of 30 days beginning September 5, 2005; 20 were actually deployed.
3. The community donated several supplies including shirts, hats, raincoats, backpacks, water bottles, snack items, knives, basic tools, etc.
4. To maintain minimum staffing requirements at home, work schedules of Hurricane relief volunteers were filled by hiring-in off duty personnel at overtime rates (Special Duty Compensation). The in-kind contributions totaling \$240,713 paid those costs.

Discussion

1. The fire department is eligible for \$70,000 additional federal funds under the original grant to pay toward personnel costs.
2. File 051481 amends the grantor portion of this grant by \$70,000, from \$291,006 to \$361,006, increasing the award total to \$601,719; \$361,006 provided from the grantor and \$240,713 as the City’s in-kind contribution.

Fiscal Impact

The amended fiscal impact increases to \$601,719; \$361,006 revenue impact and \$601,719 expenditure impact.

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Expenditure Types	Grantor Share	City Share	Total Expense
Salaries	\$ 155,933	\$ -0-	\$ 155,933
Overtime	195,073	154,911	349,984
Fringe Benefits		85,802	85,802
Total Personnel Costs	351,006	240,712	591,719
Miscellaneous Supplies	10,000		10,000
Total Shares	\$ 361,006	\$ 240,712	\$ 601,719

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