

# CITY OF MILWAUKEE FISCAL NOTE

A) **DATE** Oct. 5, 2004

**FILE NUMBER:** 040747, Sub. 1

Original Fiscal Note  Substitute

**SUBJECT:** Sub. Res. reserving a \$95,000 appropriation in Common Council Contingent Fund for transfer to the City Attorney Damages and Claims Fundrto pay Medicare and various other healthcare plan providers for reimbursements erroneously paid to the City.

B) **SUBMITTED BY (Name/title/dept./ext.):** Assist. City Attorney Bruce Schrimpf, x2635, City Attorney's Office

C) **CHECK ONE:**  ADOPTION OF THIS FILE AUTHORIZES EXPENDITURES  
 ADOPTION OF THIS FILE DOES NOT AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES; FURTHER COMMON COUNCIL ACTION NEEDED. LIST ANTICIPATED COSTS IN SECTION G BELOW.  
 NOT APPLICABLE/NO FISCAL IMPACT.

D) **CHARGE TO:**  DEPARTMENT ACCOUNT(DA)  CONTINGENT FUND (CF)  
 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND (CPF)  SPECIAL PURPOSE ACCOUNTS (SPA)  
 PERM. IMPROVEMENT FUNDS (PIF)  GRANT & AID ACCOUNTS (G & AA)  
 OTHER (SPECIFY)

E) PURPOSE	SPECIFY TYPE/USE	ACCOUNT	EXPENDITURE	REVENUE	SAVINGS
<b>SALARIES/WAGES:</b>					
<b>SUPPLIES:</b>					
<b>MATERIALS:</b>					
<b>NEW EQUIPMENT:</b>					
<b>EQUIPMENT REPAIR:</b>					
<b>OTHER</b>	<b>See page 2 for detail: other</b>				

OTHER:	<p>Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the sum of \$95,000 shall be reserved within the 2004 Common Council Contingent Fund (Account Number 0001-9990-0001-C001-006300-2004) for the City Attorney Damages &amp; Claims Fund (Account Number 0001-1490-0001-S118-006300-2004) for the purposes of paying on claims by Medicare, United Healthcare and various other healthcare plan providers; and, be it</p> <p>Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller and City Attorney are authorized to review the Milwaukee Fire Department's financial records as they relate to the reimbursement errors to determine that the respective claims made by Medicare, United Healthcare and various other healthcare plan providers are correct, and to determine the exact amounts the City must pay to each; and, be it</p> <p>Further Resolved, That the City Comptroller is authorized to appropriate on an as-needed basis up to \$95,000 from the funds reserved within the Common Council Contingent Fund to the City Attorney Damages and Claims Fund for the purpose of paying expenditures relating to the claims mentioned above.</p>				
<b>TOTALS</b>	\$95,000.00				

**F) FOR EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES WHICH WILL OCCUR ON AN ANNUAL BASIS OVER SEVERAL YEARS CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX BELOW AND THEN LIST EACH ITEM AND DOLLAR AMOUNT SEPARATELY.**

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**G) LIST ANY ANTICIPATED FUTURE COSTS THIS PROJECT WILL REQUIRE FOR COMPLETION:**  
 N/A

**H) COMPUTATIONS USED IN ARRIVING AT FISCAL ESTIMATE:**

MFD is eligible for reimbursement from United Healthcare and various other healthcare plan providers for the emergency medical services the department provided. MFD issued its claims for reimbursement, but United Healthcare and various other healthcare plan providers did not issue reimbursement on a timely basis, which resulted in the department making duplicate claims. United Healthcare and various other healthcare plan providers overpaid the City by reimbursing the City on the duplicate and the original claims.

These healthcare plan providers estimate they overpaid the City approximately \$32,000.

On a similar matter, the fire departments of both the City of Milwaukee and the City of Menomonie used Claims, Processing and Receivables (CPR), Inc. of 5225 North Ironwood Road, Glendale, Wisconsin, for their respective EMS billing, collection and data management services. CPR, Inc. erroneously gave the City of Milwaukee's Medicare Provider Number and Tax Identification Number to various billing services. The MFD, consequently, received the Medicare reimbursements for services provided by the City of Menomonie Fire Department. It is estimated said erroneous reimbursements to the City of Milwaukee amount to approximately \$52,000.

The City's erroneous reimbursements were placed in the City's General City Purposes Fund.

PLEASE LIST ANY COMMENTS ON REVERSE SIDE AND CHECK HERE

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