LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

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File Number 101033 is a resolution approving an intergovernmental cooperation agreement between the City and the Milwaukee Board of School Directors for the continued operation of the School Security Program, under which the Milwaukee Police Department assigns 10 police officers to work as School Resources Officers in 5 Milwaukee Public Schools during the 2010-2011 school year, with MPS paying for 5 officers and the City paying for the other 5.

Background

- Common Council File Number 061071 approved agreements between the Milwaukee Board of School Directors (Milwaukee Public Schools, or "MPS") and the City under which 2 School Resource Officers f("SROs") from the Milwaukee Police Department ("MPD") were assigned to the Lynde and Harry Bradley Technology and Trade School and 2. SROs were assigned to the Custer High School "cluster" of schools for the second semester of the 2006-2007 school year. File Number 071320 approved extensions of these agreements under the same terms and conditions for the first semester of the 2007-2008 school year.
- 2. Common Council File Number 071024 approved a new agreement which increase the total number of SROs from 4 to 10, with 2 SROs assigned to each of the following 5 schools: Bradley Tech, Custer/Lady Pitts, Hamilton High School, Pulaski High School and Vincent High School. One-half of the cost was borne by MPS, the other half by the City. This agreement applied to the second half of the 2007-2008 school year and the first half of the 2008-2009 school year. Another resolution, File Number 090594, approved an extension of the School Security Program, as it came to be known, for the same 5 schools for the second semester of the 2008-2009 school year and the full 2009-2010 school year.
- 3. MPS and the City now desire to renew the agreement for the operation of the School Security Program in the same 5 schools during the 2010-2011 school year.

Discussion

- 1. This resolution authorizes the proper City officials to execute an intergovernmental cooperation agreement with the School Board for the continued operation of the School Security Program in 5 MPS high schools during the 2010-2011 school year.
- 2. Under the agreement, each party shall assume the cost of 5 SROs (officer salaries and benefits), which is estimated to not exceed \$375,000 for the 2010-2011 school year. MPS shall reimburse the City for the costs associated with the 5 officers it is funding.

Fiscal Impact

- 1. Approval of this resolution will authorize the City to accept up to \$375,000 from MPS as compensation for the costs of assigning 5 School Resource Officers to MPS schools under the School Security Program.
- 2. The intergovernmental cooperation agreement also commits the City to spending up to \$375,000 in tax-levy funding for its half of the costs of the School Security Program.

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