LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU FISCAL ANALYSIS

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File Number 101043 is a resolution authorizing the Milwaukee Police Department to accept and fund a 2010 Beat Patrol Program Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance, in the amount of \$261,774, with a grantor share of \$140,793 and a City share of \$120,981.

Background

- 1. Through the Beat Patrol Program, the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance, makes grant funds available to local law enforcement agencies to assist them in working with residents to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues.
- 2. Beginning in 1998, the City of Milwaukee received Beat Patrol Program Grant funds in the amount of \$150,000 per year for the funding of 6 beat patrol officers in Police District 2. The City was required to provided the balance of funding for these 6 positions (about 2/3 of the total funding, or up to \$333,000 per year). This arrangement lasted through 2009.
- 3. For 2010, the parameters of the Beat Patrol Program Grant changed: the grantor provided \$140,793 and the City's required contribution was reduced significantly, to \$109,599. As a result of these decreases, the number of beat patrol officers funded through the Beat Patrol Program Grant decreased from 6 to 3.

Discussion

- 1. This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Police Department to accept and expend \$140,793 in Beat Patrol Program Grant funds from the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Office of Justice Assistance.
- 2. This grant funding pays a portion of the salary and fringe benefit costs of 3 police officer positions. The remainder of the funding for these positions comes from MPD's salary account.
- 3. The total cost of this grant-funded project is \$261,774, of which \$140,793 (53%) would be provided by the grantor and \$120,981 (47%) would be provided by the City.
- 4. The grant period is January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011.

Fiscal Impact

- 1. Approval of this resolution will authorize the City to accept \$140,793 in revenues from the State of Wisconsin.
- 2. This resolution authorizes total expenditures of \$261,774 -- the \$140,793 received from the State and \$120,981 in City tax-levy funding provided in MPD's 2011 Budget.

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