

LRB-RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

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ITEM 7, FILE # 101182

File #101182 is a resolution relative to application, funding and expenditure of the Homicide Review Commission Grant from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes receipt and expenditure of a 'bridge' grant from the Greater Milwaukee Foundation to the Milwaukee Health Department (MHD) to continue funding staff of the Homicide Review Commission (HRC) until such time as grant funds are released to the MHD by the U.S. Office of Community Policing (COPS) consistent with a grant awarded to MHD and authorized by Resolution File # 100731.
2. The Milwaukee Homicide Commission is a model for data collection and incident analysis that has been recognized by the U.S. Justice Department as an innovative tool for developing, implementing and evaluating interventions to reduce urban violence. Recent comprehensive reports of the MCH may be accessed at <http://city.milwaukee.gov/hrc>.
3. The 3-year grant from the COPS program will provide a total of \$456,059 in funds to support the HRC to train urban jurisdictions in using a "homicide review" prevention model for addressing violent events, both homicides and non-fatal incidents.

Discussion

1. The proposed \$30,000 grant will primarily support the continuing position of a Research Associate employed with the Center for Urban Population Health (CUPH) which provides the research and data analysis platform for the MHC until such time as funding under the COPS award is available.
2. The period of the grant is January 1, 2011, through December 31, 2011. The resolution contains a typographical error with an end date in 2012 rather than 2011.
3. The resolution in File #101182 authorizes the City Comptroller to commit \$30,000 grantor share funds within the Project/Grant Parent of the 2011 Special Revenue-Grant and Aid Projects Fund and to create appropriate Special Revenue Fund-Grant and Aid Project/Grant and Project /Grant levels.
4. The resolution further authorizes the Health Department, consistent with the terms of the grant, to: expend from these budgeted amounts; enter into subcontracts and leases; expend 2011 budgeted amounts for equipment deemed necessary to the operation of the program; and expend funds for training and out-of-town travel of departmental staff from the grant funds in 2011. It is unlikely that any minor budget changes will be necessary under this grant award and all

funds are likely to be applied to the subcontract with the Center for Urban Population Health.

Fiscal Impact

This proposed \$30,000 in non-O&M funding will support continuing activities and services that would not be provided absent such funding. There is no impact on the tax levy.

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