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PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 4, FILE # 021022

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File # 021022 is a resolution relative to application for the Operation Lead Elimination Program Grant.

Background

This resolution authorizes the Milwaukee Health Department to apply for the Operation Lead Elimination Action Program (LEAP) grant from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). This grant will be submitted in partnership with the Neighborhood Improvement Development Corporation.

Discussion

- 1. The purpose of this project is to leverage private sector resources to eliminate lead poisoning as major public health threat to young children. This proposal seeks to use the \$1 million as "seed money" to gain resources from multiple project partners in the community including TCF Bank, US Bank, Metcalfe Park Resident's Association, Midtown Neighborhood Association, the Apartment Association of Southeast Wisconsin, the Milwaukee Foundation and fund-raising counsel to be determined by an RFP process.
- 2. An additional \$13.5 million is anticipated to be leveraged with the funding obtained from this grant, including \$7 million through fund raising donations from philanthropic organizations and private sector donors.
- 3. The partnerships formed under the auspices of this grant will work toward primary prevention of lead poisoning in high-risk housing in the Metcalfe Park and Midtown areas of the city.
- 4. This resolution is for application only. A separate file with a program budget will be introduced for acceptance and expenditure if the health department is awarded this grant.
- 5. If funded, this grant is tentatively anticipated to encompass the period of January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2004.

Fiscal Impact

This grant application will request \$1 million.

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