Reply to Common Council File No. 040373

From DOA-Budget and Policy Division

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Common Council file 040373 is a resolution from the Health Department relative to application for, acceptance, and funding of the Beach Monitoring Grant. This \$28,000 continuing grant is provided by the State of Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. No City match is required.

The purpose of this grant is to fund daily bacterial monitoring of the City of Milwaukee's public beaches at five sites on Milwaukee's lakefront. The term of the grant is May 1, 2004 through September 30, 2004.

The grant will assist the Health Department in achieving its goal of reducing illness and injury from communicable diseases, pollution and disasters in Milwaukee. It will provide for testing in compliance with the State BEACH Act and proposed regulations regarding Lake Michigan public beaches.

The Beach Monitoring Grant partially funds an Environmental & Disease Control Specialist, as well as materials, supplies, and contracted services from the Great Lakes Water Institute.

The \$28,000 grant is entirely provided by the grantor. The grant period is January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004, with probable renewal in future years.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE COMMON COUNCIL FILE NO. 040373 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR, ACCEPT AND FUND THE BEACH MONITORING GRANT FROM THE STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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