LRB - RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION ANALYSIS

FEBRUARY 16, 2006 AGENDA PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

ITEM 12, FILE 051373 Emma J. Stamps

File No. 051373 is a resolution relative to acceptance and funding of a State of Wisconsin Department of Commerce Brownfield Grant for remediation activities at the City-owned property at 3613 North Palmer Street, in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Background

- 1. The City owns a condemned mixed-commercial property located at 3613 North Palmer Street. Residential, manufacturing, and parking lots abut this property. A raze order was filed with the Department of Neighborhood Services in March 2004.
- 2. The condemned buildings on the property have been demolished utilizing grant funds, and now the property is a vacant lot that needs soil and groundwater remediation, at cost to the City.

Discussion

- 3. The City of Milwaukee appears to be eligible for grant funds from the Wisconsin Department of Commerce (WDOC) Brownfield Grant program, according to an award letter dated 6/13/05. The grant would help pay clean up costs for the 3613 N. Palmer St. mixed-up property.
- 4. The grant operates from June 13, 2005 to December 31, 2008.
- 5. This grant project is expected to cost \$236,264, \$40,000 or 17% will be provided by the Grantor and \$196,264 or 83% will come from City Grants and In-Kind services.
- 6. The funding and uses (rounded) are shown in the following table.

USE	WDOC Grant	WDNR SAG*	CITY Inkind
Supplemental site investigation	-0-	\$13,560	\$ 3,660
Remediation (remove soil, monitor gw)	\$40,000		\$16,340
Asbestos abatement		\$19,750	
Forgiveness of 2004 real estate taxes			\$76,274
Demolition		\$66,680	
TOTALS	\$40,000	\$99,990\$96,274	

^{*}Funding approved by prior Resolutions #040857 (\$100,000) and #031348 (\$30,000).

7. File No. 051373 authorizes the acceptance and expend a \$40,000 grant awarded by the Wisconsin Department of Commerce Brownfield Grant Program and up to \$196,264 in City inkind contributions to clean up the city-owned property located at 3613 N. Plamer St. in the 6th Aldermanic District.

Fiscal Impact

Adopting File No. 051373 imposes a \$40,000 revenue impact and a \$236,264 expenditure impact.

Other Information

In May 2005, RACM awarded the City of Milwaukee a reimbursable grant up to \$200,000 to remediate the property. RACM manages the activities on behalf of the City (CCFN 050038). There is no local match. The department does not anticipate using this authority for the 3613 N. Palmer St. project.

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