

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
ITEM 8, FILE #081092**

DECEMBER 4, 2008

File #081092 authorizes the application, acceptance and funding of a Beat Patrol Program Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice – Office of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$483,357, with a City share of \$333,357 (69%) and a grantor share of \$150,000 (31%). This grant funds the salaries and benefits for 6 police officers who, on beat patrol, work with neighborhood residents to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues. This continuing grant is for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009.

BACKGROUND

Through the Beat Patrol Program, the Wisconsin Department of Justice – Office of Justice Assistance makes funds available to local law enforcement agencies to assist them in working with residents to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues.

Beginning in 1998, the Beat Patrol Program Grant has provided \$150,000 per year towards the funding of 6 District Two police officers. The balance of the funding required for these positions is provided by the City.

DISCUSSION

Acceptance of this Beat Patrol Program Grant will provide \$150,000 in funding for 6 District Two police officers for the period January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009. The City portion of this grant project is included in the Police Department's approved 2009 budget.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City's in-kind participation will be \$333,357.

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