LRB - RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE ITEM 15, FILE #081168

JANUARY 8, 2009

File #081168 authorizes the Milwaukee Police Department to apply for, accept and fund a Speed Enforcement Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation – Bureau of Transportation Safety in the amount of \$35,000. Proceeds will be used to fund police overtime costs relating to enhanced efforts to adopt a zero tolerance for speed and aggressive driving during all motor vehicle stops, and to increase the annual total of speed citations written over the prior year. Identifying unrestrained occupants and increasing seatbelt citations is also a priority of this grant program. The 100% donor funded grant is for the period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

BACKGROUND

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation – Bureau of Transportation Safety makes various grants available to law enforcement agencies for initiatives that promote and encourage safe driving.

The following table provides information on the previously termed "Speed and Aggressive Driving Enforcement Grants" from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation – Bureau of Transportation Safety that required Common Council approval.

File	Term	Grantor Share	City Share	Total
#061396	1/01/07 - 9/30/07	\$24,999	\$6,250	\$31,249
#071317	10/01/07 - 9/30/08	\$25,000	\$0	\$25,000

DISCUSSION

File #081168 authorizes the application, acceptance and funding of a Speed Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$35,000 for the period October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.

FISCAL IMPACT

Acceptance of this grant requires no city participation and has no impact on the tax levy.

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