

LRB – RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS SECTION

**PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
FILE #091123**

JANUARY 7, 2010

File #091123 authorizes the application, acceptance and funding of a 2010 Beat Patrol Program Grant from the Wisconsin Department of Justice – Office of Justice Assistance in the amount of \$250,392, with a grantor share of \$140,793 (56%) and a City share of \$109,599 (44%). This grant funds the salaries and benefits for 3 police officers who, on beat patrol, work with neighborhood residents to identify and resolve crime and quality-of-life issues. Prior to 2010, the Beat Patrol Program Grant funded 6 police officer positions, primarily through higher City participation requirements (see below).

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 provided \$150,000 per year towards the funding of 6 District Two police officers. The balance of the funding required for these positions was provided by the City. As displayed in the table below, which presents information for years 2006 through 2009, past grant participation requirements typically resulted in the City providing approximately two-thirds of the funding necessary to fund 6 police officer positions.

BEAT PATROL PROGRAM GRANT HISTORICAL FUNDING

	<i>2006</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>
Grantor	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000
City In-Kind	<u>311,383</u>	<u>311,383</u>	<u>333,357</u>	<u>333,357</u>
Total	\$461,383	\$461,383	\$483,357	\$483,357
Officers	6	6	6	6

DISCUSSION

In 2010, altered Beat Patrol Program Grant requirements result in a slight decline in the Office of Justice Assistance contribution and significantly reduced requisite City of Milwaukee participation. The net result is a roughly 50% decrease in total program monies, which translates to 3 less Beat Patrol Program Grant police officers.

2010 FUNDING

Grantor	\$ 140,793
City In-Kind	<u>109,599</u>
Total	\$250,392
Officers	3

FISCAL IMPACT

Acceptance of this Beat Patrol Program Grant, which covers the period January 1, 2010 to December 31, 2010, requires City participation of \$109,599. With acceptance, the 2010 Positions Ordinance shall be amended to reflect that position authority for 3 police officer positions shall expire on December 31, 2010 unless the Beat Patrol Program Grant is extended.

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