

## City of Milwaukee

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## **Legislation Text**

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Substitute resolution reserving and appropriating up to \$50,000 from the Department of Public Works - Water Works budget for consulting services relating to development of a methodology for the evaluation of the sale of City of Milwaukee water to other localities.

This resolution directs the Department of Administration to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) and award a contract for the development of a methodology for the evaluation of the economic impacts of potential future water service contracts between the City of Milwaukee and other communities. It also reserves and appropriates up to \$50,000 from the Department of Public Works - Water Works budget to enter into a contract with the winning bidder, and creates an RFP evaluation committee to rate proposals and select a winning bidder.

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee Department of Public Works- Water Works is the drinking water utility owned by the City of Milwaukee and regulated by the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSC), the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; and

Whereas, The Water Works provides drinking water, fire suppression and public health protection to residents and businesses in the City of Milwaukee and 15 neighboring communities, and its mission is to provide safe and reliable drinking water to its customers; and

Whereas, The Water Works currently has the capacity to annually pump and treat billions more gallons of water than it sells, and has the ability to expand its service to additional communities; and

Whereas, However, the provision of Milwaukee water to other communities may facilitate economic development, create and preserve jobs, improve property values, and advance the economic welfare of the inhabitants and businesses within those communities; and

Whereas, The provision of Milwaukee water to other communities may have negative economic impacts for the City through the loss of economic development that may otherwise have occurred within the City; and

Whereas, The City seeks to quantify the economic impacts of potential future water service contracts between the City of Milwaukee and other communities utilizing an applicable methodology; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of Administration - Business Operations Division is directed to issue a Request for Proposals that is substantially in the same form as the copy which is attached to this resolution, for the development of a methodology for the evaluation of the economic impacts of potential future water service contracts between the City of Milwaukee and other communities, and enter into a contract with the winning vendor; and, be it

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Further Resolved, That proposals shall be rated and a winning vendor shall be selected by an RFP evaluation committee composed of the Common Council President or designee; Water Works Superintendent or designee; the Department of City Development Commissioner or designee; the Director of the Budget and Management Division; the Director of the Department of Administration or designee; and a representative from the Legislative Reference Bureau - Office of the City Clerk; and, be it

Further Resolved, That up to \$50,000 from the Department of Public Works - Water Works (account number 0410-6411-634001-0364-R999) is reserved and shall be appropriated to enter into a contract with the winning bidder.

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