

City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

Legislation Text

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Substitute resolution relating to the accounting of revenues associated with the National League of Cities' Service Line Warranty Program.

This resolution requires that any proceeds from the National League of Cities' Service Line Warranty Program be placed in a segregated revenue account within the Sewer Maintenance Fund for use in future programs designed to assist landowners replace private laterals.

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee approved, through adoption of File Number 101142 on July 6, 2011, participation in the National League of Cities' Service Line Warranty Program; and

Whereas, The Service Line Warranty Program will pay the City a 10% royalty for every resident that participates in the program; and

Whereas, Poorly-maintained sewer laterals contribute to the infiltration and inflow of storm water or groundwater into Milwaukee's dedicated sanitary sewer system, which can cause the system to overflow; and

Whereas, Leaks of water into sanitary sewers have increased since the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District's deep tunnel system began operating in 1994, compromising the system's ability to store wastewater and prevent combined sewer overflows; and

Whereas, The discharge of sewer overflow into residential basements and surrounding waters negatively affects the environment and public health, and it also violates state and federal regulations; and

Whereas, The reduction of discharge of sewer overflow into residential basements and surrounding waters will require joint efforts of the City, MMSD and other government agencies; and

Whereas, After severe flooding and widespread basement backups on July 22, 2010, the Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) has proposed spending \$150 million in the next 10 years to inspect and help repair private laterals in the 28 communities served by the district; and

Whereas, The City intends to use any proceeds from the National League of Cities' Service Line Warranty Program for future programs designed to assist landowners replace faulty private laterals; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that proceeds from the Service Line Warranty Program shall be placed in a segregated revenue account within the Sewer Maintenance fund; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the segregated revenue account within the Sewer Maintenance fund shall be used solely for future programs designed to assist landowners replace faulty private laterals.

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