

## City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202

## **Legislation Text**

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IMMEDIATE ADOPTION

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Resolution accepting a \$25,000 grant from the Fund for Cities of Service, Inc. for the Love Your Block Grant Program.

This resolution approves the City's acceptance of a \$25,000 grant and two AmeriCorps VISTA members for each year of the two-year program.

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee ("City") engages with residents and neighborhood organizations to support efforts essential to neighborhood stabilization and revitalization through the Department of City Development's ("DCD") Housing and Neighborhood Development section; and

Whereas, DCD works with residents and neighborhood organizations to support efforts to eliminate blight, increase the physical appearance of properties and engage residents using a variety of housing and neighborhood revitalization programs; and

Whereas, The Fund for Cities of Service, Inc. ("Cities of Service") operates the Love Your Block Program, which is a service strategy that supports the connection of City staff with community residents to help revitalize neighborhoods; and

Whereas, Cities of Service accepted applications through a competitive process and it announced Milwaukee as one of ten cities nationwide to be awarded the grant and stated that Milwaukee was ideally suited to receive this grant because of its established programs supporting neighborhood-based revitalization efforts; and

Whereas, The City will focus these grant funds and AmeriCorps VISTA member's time and energy to further efforts around blight elimination, homeownership promotion and resident engagement; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the appropriate City officials are authorized to accept the Cities of Service Love Your Block Grant Award, including \$25,000 and two AmeriCorps VISTA members for each year of the two-year program; and, be it

Further Resolved, That a subsequent resolution authorizing the expenditure of grant funds will be presented to the Common Council for approval; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the Commissioner of DCD, or designee, is directed to execute any documents necessary to accept the grant.  $DCD:Larry.Kilmer:lk \\ 07/31/18/A$