

Legislation Text

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ALD. ZIELINSKI Substitute resolution authorizing the acceptance of donation of services to be provided by IBM to identify opportunities to develop urban agricultural assets in the City of Milwaukee. This substitute resolution authorizes the City of Milwaukee to accept the donation of services to be provided by IBM to develop Milwaukee's urban agricultural assets. This file has no fiscal impact. Whereas, IBM has established a Smarter Cities Program, through which donations of services are awarded to cities to provide city leaders with analysis and recommendations to support successful growth, better delivery of municipal services, more citizen engagement and improved efficiency; and

Whereas, The City of Milwaukee ("City") is a worldwide leader in urban agriculture and aquaponics, and is therefore, uniquely qualified to develop cutting-edge technology and best practices in this field; and

Whereas, The terms of the IBM Smarter Cities Program require that the donation of services be made to a government agency; and

Whereas, As a result of this program, IBM will send six experts to the City for a threeweek period to make recommendations for improving urban agricultural systems and such donation of services is valued at \$400,000; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of Milwaukee, that the Department of City Development, on behalf of the City, is authorized to accept the donation of services from IBM to identify opportunities to develop urban agricultural assets in the City; and, be it

Further Resolved, That the proper City officials are authorized to execute any documents necessary to accept the donation of services described herein. DCD:DAC:dac 05/10/11