David A. Clarke Jr.
Sheriff

DATE: April 25, 2013

TO: Supervisor Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwoman, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors

FROM: Richard R. Schmidt, Inspector, Office of the Sheriff, Milwaukee County

SUBJECT: Request to accept State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant for 2013 Speed
Enforcement program in the amount of $74,951 for the Office of the Sheriff.

REQUEST

The Sheriff of Milwaukee County requests authority to accept grant funding of $74,951 from the State
of Wisconsin Department of Transportation for a Speed Enforcement 2013 program.

BACKGROUND

In Wisconsin during 2011, speed-related crashes were listed as a contributing factor in 16.3% of all
crashes, and almost 27.1% of all fatal crashes. 160 people died in these crashes. Excessive speed is
often associated with other high-risk behaviors that increase the likelihood of a crash and of significant
injury or death occurring; these include following too closely and failure to wear safety belts.

Enforcement Area (Targeting): All alcohol and speed-related crash data from the three previous years
for every jurisdiction in Wisconsin were analyzed, from those involving property damage through all
ranges of injuries to those that resulted in death. This data was scientifically weighted, following
established statistical protocol. From this work, the Bureau identified those places in Wisconsin with
the largest number of crashes due to excess alcohol use or speed. Upon factoring in each location's
population density, a snapshot of the state's most likely places for similar crashes per capita was
established. Source: BOTS Analysis (2011 data is preliminary)

This grant has the following objectives:

1. To adopt a zero tolerance policy for speed and aggressive driving during all motor vehicle
    stops.
2. To adopt a zero tolerance policy for unrestrained occupants during all motor vehicle stops.
3. During past deployments, Grantees have typically initiated a recorded traffic stop every 45
    minutes. To maintain or exceed historical activity levels during grant-funded activity Grantee
    will, on average, initiate a recorded traffic stop every 45 minutes.
4. During past grant-funded deployments, Grantees typically maintain an agency ratio of three
    citations to one written warning.

5.   To make contacts with local media, community groups or other groups to increase public awareness of information related to seatbelt related crashes, and subsequent enforcement efforts a minimum of once during every quarter of grant approval. Creating partnerships with community groups, public and private, to enforce public awareness of this campaign.

Mandatory deployment dates are:

1.   December 7-16, 2012 (Booze and Belts)
2.   March 4-20, 2013 (St. Patrick's Day)
3.   May 20-June 2, 2013 (CIOT National Mobilization)
4.   July 1-7, 2013 (Summer Heat)
5.   Aug 16-Sep 2, 2013 (Alcohol Crackdown)

The grant period is from October 1, 2012 until September 30, 2013. It is anticipated that there will be 107 deployments with three officers per deployment at four hours per officer for a total of 1,284 enforcement hours. Payment is based on an average overtime/fringe hourly rate of $54.48 per hour. Grant funds also include expenditure authority of $4,999 for a Directional Golden Eagle II radar unit. The grant requires a local match of 25% on salary and equipment expenses of $74,951 bringing the total project funding to $93,820. The match requires NO additional budget funds.

FISCAL NOTE

Grant funds total $74,951 with a 25% local match required of $18,869 bringing the total project funding to $93,820. All funding will be used for wages and fringe benefits and authorized equipment purchases.

Richard R. Schmidt, Inspector
Milwaukee County Office of the Sheriff

cc: Chris Abele, County Executive
       Supervisor Mark Borkowski, Chair, Judiciary, Safety & General Services Committee
       Kelly Bablitch, Chief of Staff
       Janelle Jensen, Committee Clerk
       Jennifer Collins, Research Analyst