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(ITEM) From the Office of the Sheriff, requesting authorization to apply for and accept a Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant in the amount of \$103,000 for provision of a Freeway Service Team for a term effective January 1, 2015, through June 30, 2015, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) has authorized the Milwaukee County Sheriff to maintain a Freeway Service Team (FST) to operate on the Milwaukee County Freeway System and provide expedited clearance of disabled and crashed vehicles, thereby improving safety and minimizing traffic delays and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin has identified the service area as I-94 from the Milwaukee/Racine County line to the Milwaukee/Waukesha County line, I-894 in its entirety, I-43 from downtown Milwaukee to the Milwaukee/Ozaukee County line, I-794 between Carferry Drive and the Marquette Interchange, and US 45 from I-94 to the Milwaukee/Waukesha County line; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office will provide a FST to continuously drive the service area locating, responding to, and clearing minor traffic incidents; the FST shall assist motorists whose vehicles have suffered mechanical failure or have been involved in minor traffic crashes; and the FST shall be responsible for clearing the traffic lanes of the highway of automobiles, motorcycles, small trucks, and small non-hazardous debris material; and

WHEREAS, an original grant became effective August 1, 2008, and was extended to June 30, 2009, and provided \$371,000 in funding; and

WHEREAS, there were six grant amendments through December 31, 2014, with total cumulative funding of \$1,628,332; and

WHEREAS, this grant is for a period of January 1, 2015, through June 30, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Office will bill WisDOT on a monthly basis for Deputy Sheriff straight time/fringe benefits and overhead included at \$59.74 per hour and overtime hours excluding overhead at \$44.00 per hour; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Judiciary, Safety, and General Services, at its meeting of April 9, 2015, recommended adoption of the Sheriff's request (vote 6-0); and

45 WHEREAS, the Committee on Finance, Personnel, and Audit, at its meeting of
46 April 16, 2015, also recommended adoption of the Sheriff's request (vote 7-0); now,
47 therefore,
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49 BE IT RESOLVED, the Office of the Sheriff is hereby authorized to apply for and
50 accept a State of Wisconsin Department of Transportation grant for the provision of a
51 Freeway Service Team on the Milwaukee County Freeway System in the amount of
52 \$103,000.
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