County of Milwaukee INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE:

February 20, 2013

TO:

Sup. Marina Dimitrijevic, Chairwomen, Milwaukee County Board of Supervisors Sup. Peggy Romo West, Chairperson, Committee on Health and Human Needs

FROM:

Stephanie Sue Stein, Director, Milwaukee County Department on Aging

RE:

Request for authorization to increase by \$34,140, from \$1,258,867 to \$1,293,007, the 2013 contract with Interfaith Older Adults Program, Inc., to provide Programs in Clinton and Bernice Rose Park, McGovern Park, Washington Park, Wilson Park, and Lawrence P. Kelly Senior Centers, originally authorized under File No. 13-19

I respectfully request that the attached resolution be scheduled for consideration by the Committee on Health and Human Needs at its meeting on March 13, 2013.

The attached resolution authorizes the Director, Department on Aging, to increase by \$34,140, from \$1,258,867 to \$1,293,007, the 2013 contract with Interfaith Older Adults Programs, Inc., to provide Programs in Clinton and Bernice Rose Park, McGovern Park, Washington Park, Wilson Park, and Lawrence P. Kelly Senior Centers, originally authorized under File No. 13-19.

The Department on Aging, in collaboration with University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee College of Health Sciences, offers the Wellness Works older adult fitness program at five senior center locations. Since 2001, Department on Aging has provided oversight of the program, including budgeting, professional services contracting, and coordination of services. The UWM College of Health Sciences has performed day-to-day administration of the program, providing students in human kinetics the opportunity to assist seniors in use of fitness equipment. The program also includes research on the impact of physical activity on healthy aging.

While the collaboration between UWM and Department on Aging will continue, Interfaith Older Adult Programs, Inc. will take over the day-to-day administration of Wellness Works, including the provision for a Fitness Center Coordinator. UWM will continue conducting research and provide students to assist seniors in using fitness equipment. The proposed amendment funds the Coordinator position and related administrative costs.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 2-6876.

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