(ITEM) From the Director of Employee Benefits, Department of Human Resources, requesting authorization to execute a contract with Optum Rx for a two-year term commencing January 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2016, with an optional third year at the County's discretion for the administration of Milwaukee County's prescription drug benefit coverage for active employees and retirees, by recommending adoption of the following:

A RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County's current contract with Express Scripts, Inc., for prescription benefit manager services is expiring as of December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, Milwaukee County, in coordination with Willis of Wisconsin, Milwaukee Public Schools, the City of Milwaukee, and Milwaukee County Transit System issued a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) for administration of prescription drug coverage for each group's health plan for active employees and retirees; and

WHEREAS, RFP review panel including representatives from the Department of Human Resources, Office of Performance, Strategy, and Budget, Department of Administrative Services, the Comptroller's Office, and Community Business Development Partners was formed to evaluate finalist proposals; and

WHEREAS, Optum Rx responded to the RFP and demonstrated the ability to provide Milwaukee County with retail and mail order pharmacy claims management, clinical services, and specialty pharmacy services; and

WHEREAS, bids were evaluated on financial performance, patient services, client services, implementation, formulary impact, clinical services, and compliance with Milwaukee County Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program goals; and

WHEREAS, Optum Rx's overall response to the RFP, based on the criteria above, was unanimously selected by the Milwaukee County RFP review panel, the review panels of the other participating public employers, and Willis of Wisconsin as superior to the other bids submitted in the RFP process; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director of Employee Benefits, Department of Human Resources, is hereby authorized to execute a contract with Optum Rx for the administration of Milwaukee County's group prescription drug benefit coverage for active employees and retirees commencing January 1, 2015, and continuing through December 31, 2016, with a County option to extend the agreement for 2017.

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