

City of Madison

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Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

This resolution amends the 2014 Adopted Operating Budgets of Information Technology, the Mayor's Office, and Public Health - Madison & Dane County as follows:

Information Technology GN01-54941-342000	(\$15,000)	Computer License and
Maint.		
Mayor's Office GN01-54967-082000	\$5,000	Memberships
Public Health Madison & Dane County UA77-54950-771300	\$5,000	Consulting Services
Public Health Madison & Dane County UA77-54630-771300	<u>\$5,000</u>	Conferences /
Meetings		
Total Net Appropriation Required	\$0	

Title

AMENDED SUBSTITUTE - Amending the 2014 Operating Budgets of Information Technology, the Mayor's Office, and Public Health - Madison and Dane County to provide \$5,000 for the City to join the Local and Regional Government Alliance on Race & Equity, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to sign documents as needed to establish membership in that alliance, and reallocating \$10,000 to PHMDC to support the continued development of the City of Madison Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative.

Body

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is establishing a Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative with a mission to establish racial equity and social justice as core principles in all decisions, policies and functions of the City of Madison; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison has passed RES-13-00828, adopted October 30, 2013, *Establishing the City of Madison's Intention to Adopt an Equity Impact Model*, and has introduced a continuing resolution, *Establishing the City of Madison Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative*; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison is among a limited number of jurisdictions taking an explicit and strategic approach to governing through a lens of racial equity and social justice; and

WHEREAS, national racial justice leaders are establishing the Local and Regional Government (LRG) Alliance on Race and Equity, a national network of local governments addressing racial equity, with the following objective statement:

Because local and regional government is uniquely positioned to lead work on race and equity, but is in critical need of tools and resources, a national network would provide significant leverage and expansion opportunities. While the focus and portal will be racial equity, the goal is structural equity for all marginalized groups. Race will be used as the "lead issue" to drive to structural inclusion and equity for all groups including across gender, sexual orientation, ability and age; and

WHEREAS, the LRG Alliance will:

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- 1. Support a specific set of local and regional governments that are at the forefront of work to eliminate racial inequities;
- 2. Develop a "pathway for entry" into racial equity work for local and regional government from across the country;
- 3. Build local and regional collaborations that are inclusive of community based organizations, government, academia, philanthropy, labor, business, faith communities and other institutions; and

The Alliance will have the following scoping objectives:

- 1. Conduct a baseline assessment of work being done by local and regional government to eliminate racial inequities;
 - 2. Support a cohort of jurisdictions that are at the forefront of work to eliminate racial inequities that will help build and sustain current efforts;
 - 3. Identify promising or best practices;
 - 4. Develop a long-term, sustainable plan to support the Alliance; and

WHEREAS, the City of Madison's participation in the LRG Alliance requires a Memorandum of Agreement between the City and the LRG Alliance at a cost of \$5,000 for the duration of one (1) year; and

WHEREAS, the City's Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative is at a critical point in its expansion toward implementation and will benefit from training and technical assistance provided by national, regional and local experts and made available to City staff, executives, elected officials and community partners; and

WHEREAS, the 2014 City Operating Budget included an amended item in the amount of \$15,000 in the Information Technology Department Operating Budget, in the Services account, for "funding to purchase or program an analytical tool to track city spending based on measures set forth in the Equity Resolution" (RES-13-00828, adopted October 30, 2013), a purchase which is not currently needed to support the Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that \$5,000 from the 2014 Information Technology Department Operating Budget is reallocated into the Mayor's Operating Budget for the City to join the Local and Regional Government Alliance on Race & Equity, for the purposes stated herein, for a period of one (1) year with the option to renew for up to three (3) additional one year renewal terms, pending the availability of funds, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized to sign a Memorandum of Agreement of other document(s) necessary to join the LRG Alliance, in a format approved by the City Attorney; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Memorandum of Agreement may be executed with the Center for Ethical Leadership, a 501(c)3 tax-exempt entity located in Seattle, WA, acting as fiscal agent on behalf of the LRG Alliance, and the fees described herein paid to that entity; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Public Health Madison & Dane County will provide a one-page summary report to the Common Council of benefits to the City of Madison and applications for improvement in the City of Madison as a result of membership and participation on or before December 2015.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that \$10,000 from the 2014 Information Technology Department Operating Budget is reallocated to Public Health Madison & Dane County to support the continued development of the City of Madison Racial Equity and Social Justice Initiative.