



Legislation Text

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Fiscal Note

The Global City Indicators Facility is transitioning to the New World Council on City Data (WCCD). Completing the application for the WCCD may require significant staff time. The application includes 100 indicators, of which 46 are considered core indicators and must be completed. These indicators cover areas that apply to many city agencies and the time involved in completing the indicators will depend on whether the information is readily available. Staff time will also be required to coordinate the accumulation of the data.

When the application has been accepted by the WCCD, a fee structure will be determined. The initial estimate of the fee for the City of Madison is \$6,000 to \$10,000 annually. There will be continuing staff time associated with updating the data.

Title

Recommending that the City of Madison submit a membership application to join the Global City Indicators Facility.

Body

WHEREAS, the Global City Indicators Facility (GCIF) provides an established set of city indicators with a globally standardized methodology that allows for global comparability of city performance and knowledge sharing; and,

WHEREAS, GCIF serves all cities that become members to measure and report on a core set of indicators through this web-based relational database, cities such as; Dallas, Fort Worth, King County, Peoria, Portland and San Antonio; and,

WHEREAS, there is an urgent and compelling need for a single, master system of global city indicators that measure and monitor city performance and quality of life the GCIF, enables cities to measure, report, and improve their own performance in the areas of city services and quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, GCIF enables cities to input, monitor and update the indicators of their city in a web-based relational database and allowing cities to compare information through the use of a standardized methodology for measuring and reporting indicators, and,

WHEREAS, GCIF facilitates knowledge-sharing and development of new and improved indicators over time and facilitates capacity building and sharing of best practices among cities through the use of indicators and a web-based relational database; and,

WHEREAS, the increase in urbanization, climate change impacts, and aging infrastructure, combined with the ready availability of new capabilities to use urban data, has given rise to a flurry of standardization activities at the national, regional, and international levels in relation to smart and sustainable cities; and,

WHEREAS, in 2012 the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) launched Technical Committee 268 on Sustainable Development in Communities and in 2013 ISO, along with the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), and ISO/IEC Joint Technical Committee (JTC) 1 on Information technology, all convened strategic groups to assess current and needed standards for smart and sustainable cities; and,

WHEREAS, GCIF uses the ISO 37120:2014 standard that covers areas of City Services including: Education, Fire and Emergency Response, Finance, Health, Recreation, Safety, Governance, Solid Waste, Energy, Urban Planning, Transportation, Water, Wastewater, as well as Quality of Life areas including: Civic Engagement, Environment, Social Equity, Shelter, Technology and Innovation, and Culture,

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Madison submit an application to join the Global City Indicators Facility.