

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE GRANT CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY FOR THE PHARMACEUTICAL TAKE BACK GRANT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$31,083 FOR THE PERIOD OF APRIL 22, 2008 UNTIL APRIL 22, 2009.

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MARCH 19, 2008

WHEREAS , Washtenaw County Department of Planning and Environment's Division of Public Works Home Toxics Reduction Program is applying for a grant of \$31,083 for the period of April 22, 2008 to April 22, 2009 through the U.S. EPA to reduce the amount of improperly disposed pharmaceutical medications generated by the citizens of Washtenaw County.

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County's Home Toxics Reduction Program will provide best management practices so residents of Washtenaw County will be provided information to clarify how to properly dispose of unused medications.

WHEREAS, unused pharmaceuticals are the leading cause of childhood poisonings and existing studies reveal that unused pharmaceuticals have shown up in the environment including: sludge from publicly owned treatment works (POTW) , surface water, and in groundwater.

WHEREAS, the grant monies will be used to collect unused pharmaceuticals from partner pharmacies, educate the citizens and health professionals on proper disposal and the risks of accidental poisoning through unused medications, and provide a transferable model to benefit communities in need.

WHEREAS, Washtenaw County will partner with state, and federal agencies including the State of Michigan Board of Pharmacy, home-healthcare agencies, waste disposal industry, and local pharmacies to develop best management practices and disposal opportunity to be incorporated for the citizens of Washtenaw County.

WHEREAS, Corporation Counsel, the Finance Department, Human Resources, the County Administrator's Office and the Ways & Means Committee have reviewed this application.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the signature of the Administrator on the application with the United States Environmental Protection Agency in the amount of \$31,083 for the period from April 21, 2008 through April 21, 2009 as on file with the County Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes this action with the understanding that if the grant is awarded, it will be brought back to the Board for approval, appropriation of grant funds, amending the budget, authorization of personnel, and authorization of delegate contracts.