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TO: Wesley Prater, Chair  
Ways & Means Committee

THROUGH: Robert E. Guenzel  
County Administrator

FROM: Gregory Dill, Director  
Support Services – Facilities Management

DATE: June 2, 2005

SUBJECT: Rebuild Michigan

**BOARD ACTION REQUESTED:**

Washtenaw County Facilities Management is requesting the Board of Commissioners to ratify the signature of the County Administrator on the grant proposal to the State of Michigan Department of Consumer and Industry Services' Energy Office for continuing support for the Rebuild Michigan Program for Facilities Management in the amount of \$30,027 for the period of June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006; authorizing the Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; amending the budget and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

**BACKGROUND:**

Washtenaw County has been a Rebuild Michigan partner since 2001. During this time, the Board of Commissioners has supported the program and Washtenaw County has been the recipient of two grants through the program. The State of Michigan Energy Office of the Department of Consumer and Industry Services has now issued a single-source grant opportunity for third-year funding to support and expand the existing Rebuild Michigan program in Washtenaw County.

**DISCUSSION:**

Over the past five years, Washtenaw County Government has been the leader in developing and maintaining a Rebuild Michigan program in Washtenaw County. Over that time, a coalition of public, private and non-profit agencies was created to help address energy efficiency needs and raise awareness of energy efficiency opportunities in the community. As a result, twenty-one facilities throughout Washtenaw County received energy assessments, eighteen of which are currently receiving facility upgrades. The third-year grant will continue to support this coalition by providing assistance on a number of tasks, including:

- Performing detailed energy assessments on a minimum of eight buildings throughout the County;
- Creating a Rebuild Washtenaw website;
- Expanding the coalition to include representatives from the University of Michigan and the City of Ypsilanti; and
- Developing a sustainability plan for the Rebuild Michigan in Washtenaw County beyond grant assistance.

With escalating community concerns regarding rising energy costs and pollution, it is important for Washtenaw County to continue to support programs that will help alleviate such concerns. Rebuild Michigan is such a program because it focuses on energy efficiency. An energy efficient building will use less energy than a conventional building, which will result in both economical and environmental benefits to the building owner, building occupants, and surrounding community.

The third year of funding is a decrease in funding from previous years. The funding is for \$12,500 with a 100% match from Washtenaw County. The first year of the Rebuild Michigan program was a \$25,000 grant with a 50% match and the second year of funding was for \$17,500 with a 50% match.

**IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES:**

None

**IMPACT ON BUDGET:**

Total program budget is \$30,027 for the period of June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006. \$12,500 is the amount of funding being requested, with an additional \$15,027 being provided by Facilities Management through in-kind personnel services to fulfill the match requirement. \$2,500 in in-direct costs is being used as additional in-kind match.

**IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS:**

Budget includes \$2,500 in indirect costs as part of the in-kind match.

**IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES:**

The coalition formed during the first year of the Rebuild Michigan program in Washtenaw County included the City of Ann Arbor, Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority, Recycle Ann Arbor and Washtenaw Affordable Housing Corporation. The third year of this program will strive to expand this coalition to include the University of Michigan and the City of Ypsilanti as new coalition members.

**CONFORMITY TO COUNTY POLICIES:**

This request is in conformance with County policies

**ATTACHMENTS/APPENDICES:**

- Grant Application
- Budget

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE SIGNATURE OF THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ON THE GRANT PROPOSAL TO THE STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER & INDUSTRY SERVICES' ENERGY OFFICE FOR CONTINUING SUPPORT OF THE EXISTING REBUILD MICHIGAN PROGRAM FOR FACILITIES MANAGEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,027 FOR THE PERIOD OF JUNE 1, 2005 THROUGH MAY 31, 2006; AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE NOTICE OF GRANT AWARD; AMENDING THE BUDGET AND AUTHORIZING THE ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN THE DELEGATE CONTRACTS.

WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

JUNE 2, 2005

WHEREAS; The State of Michigan Energy Office of the Department of Consumer and Industry Services has issued a single-source grant opportunity to provide third year funding to the existing Rebuild Michigan program in Washtenaw County, with the maximum grant award of \$12,500 accompanied by a 100% match; and

WHEREAS; Washtenaw County recognizes that reducing the demand for energy is critical to ensuring fiscal stability (Guiding Principle 1), reducing the cost of doing business (Guiding Principle 2), and addressing some of the root causes of air, water and land pollution that affect the quality of life of County Citizens (Guiding Principle 6); and

WHEREAS; the Rebuild Michigan program is designed to create an organizational framework among service providers to promote energy efficiency through energy assessments, direct facility upgrades and community outreach; and

WHEREAS; the Rebuild Michigan coalition of public, private, and non-profit agencies addresses energy efficiency needs and raises awareness of energy efficiency opportunities supports Washtenaw County Guiding Principle 7 of providing leadership on intragovernmental, intergovernmental and intersectoral cooperation and collaboration aimed at improving services to County citizens; and

WHEREAS; grant funding will be used to perform detailed energy assessments to identify and help implement energy efficiency improvements for a minimum of eight buildings within the Washtenaw County community; and

WHEREAS; these improvements will benefit the owners, residents and other users of the facilities from public, private and non-profit sectors both economically and environmentally; and

WHEREAS; the efforts of the coalition, including the results of the energy assessments, will be publicized through various methods including publishing them on a website, creating newsletters, and using other publicity vehicles in an effort to educate

Washtenaw County citizens on energy issues and motivate individuals and organizations to become involved in energy conservation

WHEREAS; this matter has been reviewed by Corporation Counsel, the Finance Department, Human Resources, the County Administrator's Office and the Ways & Means Committee

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby ratifies the signature of the Administrator on the grant proposal cover letter, submitted to the State of Michigan Consumer & Industry Services' Energy Office for the Rebuild Michigan Program in the amount of \$30,027 for the period of June 1, 2005 through May 31, 2006 for Facilities Management, as on file with the Count Clerk.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes the following actions contingent upon receipt of the grant award in conformity with the grant application:

1. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award
2. Amending the budget, as attached hereto and made a part hereof
3. Authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts in conformity with the application/award upon review of Corporation Counsel, to be filed with the County

Washtenaw County Facilities Management  
Rebuild Michigan-Year Three  
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	<u>Current</u>	<u>Revised</u>	<u>Variance</u>
Revenue:			
54000 State Revenue	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500
69000 In-Kind Contributions	\$0	\$17,527	\$17,527
Total	\$0	\$30,027	\$30,027
Expenditures:			
70050 Personal Services	\$0	\$12,500	\$12,500
93500 In-Kind Charges	\$0	\$17,527	\$17,527
Total	\$0	\$30,027	\$30,027
Indirect Costs:	\$2,504		