



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
220 NORTH MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 8645
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48107-8645
(734) 222-6850
FAX (734) 222-6715

TO: Jeff Irwin
Chair, Ways & Means Committee

FROM: Robert E. Guenzel
County Administrator

DATE: March 15, 2006

SUBJECT: Supplemental materials for consideration this evening

Please be advised that the Michigan Dept. of Labor and Economic Growth recently approved an increase in the 2006 Survey and Remonumentation Grant Program from \$8 million to \$10.134 million. As a result, our Planning & Environment Dept has been notified that the grant funding available to Washtenaw County has also increased.

Because the increase is greater than 10% of the originally approved grant amount, the amended application must come before the Board of Commissioners. I've attached the amended resolution and cover memo for your consideration.

The department requests that the Board consider the resolution at both the Ways & Means Committee and the Board meeting this evening.



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR
220 NORTH MAIN STREET, P.O. BOX 8645
ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN 48107-8645
(734) 222-6850
FAX (734) 222-6715

TO: Jeff Irwin
Chair, Ways & Means Committee

THROUGH: Robert E. Guenzel
County Administrator

FROM: Anthony VanDerworp
Director, Planning & Environment

DATE: March 15, 2006

SUBJECT: Survey and Remonumentation Program 2006 – Amended Grant
Application for Increased Funding

BOARD ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners approve the attached resolution authorizing the amended application to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth for the 2006 Remonumentation program in the amount of \$202,942; authorizing the Grant Administrator to sign the notice of grant award; amending the budget and authorizing the Administrator to sign the delegate contracts.

BACKGROUND

On December 7, 2006, the Board of Commissioners approved the 2006 grant application for the Remonumentation Program for \$176,272. Subsequently the State Legislature revised the budget amount based on new projections for register of deeds fees for 2006. As a result the allocation for Washtenaw County was increased to \$202,942.

These grants have been received annually by Washtenaw County in order to implement the Remonumentation Plan. The grants have been administered by the Department of Planning and Environment in collaboration with the County Road Commission and selected County surveyors to carry out the work outlined under the Plan. The Survey and Monumentation Program has been scheduled to run from 1993 to 2013, a total of 20 years. Each year the County must make separate application for the funds from the State to manage this program.

DISCUSSION

The State funds the Survey and Remonumentation program to assist Counties to more accurately represent survey corners within local jurisdictions. This is important because over time monument points, used in surveying, change due to transformation of the surrounding areas.

It is proposed that the additional dollars will be used to establish a GPS receiving station in Manchester in cooperation with the Washtenaw County Road Commission. This station will increase the accuracy and productivity of GPS readings in the western and central regions of Washtenaw County.

Washtenaw County benefits from this program in that survey corners throughout the County will be more accurate and this in turn will contribute to the accuracy of the Geographic Information System (GIS) base.

IMPACT ON HUMAN RESOURCES

The Planning and Environment Department will continue to administer the grant with Daniel Myers, the Director of Development Services, as the Grant Administrator. Lori E. Beyer, through the Road Commission, will continue to be the Grant Representative. Selected County surveyors will carry out the work outlined in the Remonumentation Plan via contracts with the County.

IMPACT ON THE BUDGET

The total program in the amount of \$202,942 is funded entirely by the State. No General Fund dollars are requested.

IMPACT ON INDIRECT COSTS

No indirect costs are allowable per grant guidelines.

IMPACT ON OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS OR OUTSIDE AGENCIES

The 2006 Remonumentation Grant again provides the opportunity to work in collaboration with the Washtenaw County Road Commission.

CONFORMITY TO COUNTY POLICIES

This request conforms to County policies.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution Authorizing Application
Remonumentation Program Application for fiscal year 2006

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AMENDED APPLICATION TO THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR THE 2006 REMONUMENTATION PROGRAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$202,942; AUTHORIZING THE GRANT 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

March 15, 2006

WHEREAS, Public Act 345 of 1991 established the State Survey and Remonumentation law; and

WHEREAS, this act provided for the Remonumentation of all public land survey corners in the State of Michigan within the next twenty years; and

WHEREAS, the State funds the Survey and Remonumentation program to assist Counties to more accurately represent survey corners within local jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, the County benefits from this program in that survey corners throughout the County will be more accurate, contributing to the accuracy of the Geographic Information System (GIS) base; and

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2005, the Board of Commissioners approved the 2006 grant application for the Remonumentation Program for \$176,272; and

WHEREAS, subsequent to the original grant application the State Legislature increased Washtenaw County's allocation to \$202,942; and

WHEREAS, this grant will be received by Washtenaw County and administered by the Planning and Environment Department which will subcontract with the County Road Commission to carry out the work outlined under the Plan; and

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

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the amended application to the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth for the 2006 Remonumentation Program in the amount of \$202,942.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners takes the following actions contingent upon receipt of the award in conformity with the application and the 20 year plan:

1. Authorizes the County Grant Administrator to sign the Notice of Grant Award
2. Amends the budget as attached hereto and made a part hereof
3. Authorizing the Administrator to confirm the subcontractors and sign delegate contracts upon review of Corporation Counsel.

Planning and Environment
 SURVEY, REMONUMENTATION & MONUMENTATION PROGRAM
 Business Unit: 12300054600

Revenue:	Current Budget	Revised Budget	<u>Variance</u>
54000 State Revenue	\$--	\$202,942	\$202,942
TOTAL	\$--	\$202,942	\$202,942

Expenditures

72700 Supplies	\$--	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
95000 Capital Outlay	\$--	\$ 39,000	\$ 39,000
80800 Consultants	\$--	\$162,942	\$162,942
TOTAL	\$--	\$202,942	\$202,942