Reply to Common Council File No. 021181

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Common Council File 021181 contains a communication transmitting the Police Department's Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan for the fiscal year 2003. Common Council File 920252 requires the Police Department to annually submit a projection of, and expenditure plan for, Federally seized forfeiture funds to the Council for approval. This file details the Police Department's planned use of Asset Forfeiture funds in 2003.

The 2003 Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan outlines funding for 29 items totaling \$1,288,470. Projects proposed for funding are principally continuing annual projects regularly funded from asset forfeiture funds such as: administrative expenses, utility and maintenance costs for substations, canine and mounted patrol unit expenses, training and various one-time purchases of equipment. It is important to note that historically, half of the items presented in the report are eventually funded, and revisions to the plan may occur if the needs or priorities of the department change.

As of December 12, 2002 the Asset Forfeiture account balance was \$487,209.55.

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVE THE 2003 ASSET FORFEITURE SPENDING PLAN AS SUBMITTED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

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