



Police Department

Edward A. Flynn
Chief of Police

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The Honorable Members of the Common Council
200 East Wells Street, Room 205
Milwaukee, WI 53202

RE: 2010 ASSET FORFEITURE EXPENDITURE RESOLUTION – FILE #920252

Dear Council Members:

This file requests Common Council authorization for the Milwaukee Police Department to expend \$160,000 from its asset forfeiture funds. The following is an itemized description of the anticipated expenditures included in this resolution. These expenditures are in accordance with the guidelines of the Federal Asset Forfeiture Sharing Program. All of the items below were discussed in the 2010 Asset Forfeiture Plan. This resolution will leave approximately \$1,235,682 in the Asset Forfeiture Trust Account.

- 1. Administrative Fees \$10,000**
The U.S. Marshall's Office recovers its administrative expenses from the value of cash and assets seized. For cash awards, the Police Department receives an amount net of the federal government's legal costs and other expenses. However, the Police Department must make direct payments to offset expenses incurred in the seizure of vehicles or other non-monetary property. Payment of these fees allows continued participation in this program.
- 2. Canine Unit \$5,000**
This funds the food, medical care and boarding for three drug-interdiction canines. Without funding, the Department will be less effective in drug interdiction and subsequently less successful in its attempts to secure federally seized forfeiture funds.
- 3. Cellular Phones \$45,000**
These funds continue support for cellular telephones for field officers and investigative personnel assigned to field activities, permitting them to call citizens about service requests and investigations.
- 4. Training \$100,000**
Training and education increases police officers' effectiveness in their current assignments and prepares them for new assignments and increased responsibility.

Sincerely,

EDWARD A. FLYNN
CHIEF OF POLICE

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