

LRB-FISCAL REVIEW SECTION ANALYSIS

FINANCE AND PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

ITEM 16, FILE # 011085

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File # 011085 is a resolution authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of contributions received by the Milwaukee Police Department (MPD) from federally forfeited tangible property or cash for increased or enhanced law enforcement efforts.

Background

1. This resolution authorizes expenditure of \$144,500 to fund items included in the approved 2002 Asset Forfeiture Plan.
2. Common Council File # 920252 requires Common Council authorization for the Milwaukee Police Department to expend money from its Asset Forfeiture Funds.
3. In 2001, \$344,120 has been authorized in spending from the Asset Forfeiture Fund. Funds available from this account historically average up to \$300,000 per year.
4. The Asset Forfeiture Fund Account is replenished on a periodic basis, throughout the year, as the U.S. Department of the Treasury forwards funds to MPD.

Discussion

1. The Milwaukee Police Department is requesting authorization to spend **\$144,500** from the 2002 Asset Forfeiture Fund Account.
2. The asset forfeiture program funds a mix of new and continuing items and programs.
3. The following are requested for funding:

● Mobile Data Terminal -Maintenance Fees	\$ 3,000
● Canine Units (for drug interdiction) Boarding, food and medical care	8,000
● Replacement Name Tags	15,000
● TEU (Tactical Enforcement Unit) Supplies	3,000
● Mounted Patrol Unit -Cost of leasing five horses	70,000
● Vehicle (trailer conveyance) for Mounted Patrol Unit The current vehicle is a 1985 Chevy Suburban	32,000
● Boat Motor Replacement	10,000
● Surveillance Equipment	<u>3,500</u>
	\$ 144,500

Fiscal Impact

1. As of November 12, 2001, the Asset Forfeiture account balance was \$147,246.35.
2. Upon approval of this request, approximately \$2,756.35 will remain in the Asset Forfeiture Trust Account.
3. Approval of this request does not have a fiscal impact upon the city.

Further Information

The 2002 Asset Forfeiture Plan provides information on funding for items totaling \$849,000. Revisions to this plan occur as needs or priorities of MPD change.

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