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The Honorable Members of the Common Council
200 East Wells Street, Room 202
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RE: 2021 Asset Forfeiture Plan

Dear Council Members:

Pursuant to Common Council File #920252, the Milwaukee Police Department submits an annual report on anticipated receipt of federally seized forfeiture funds for the next calendar year, together with a plan that includes priorities for the expenditure of such funds.

The Federal Asset Forfeiture account balance is approximately \$933,938.14. Cash receipts of the fund are subject to many variables, among them the uncertainty of whether the Department will receive funds, the exact share of any seized assets the Department will be awarded, and the effects of changes in the Federal guidelines for this program.

In order to enhance the safety of the community and enable the Police Department to increase its effectiveness and efficiency, this plan includes the following items. Historically, funding of these items has been based on the ever-changing needs of the Department throughout the fiscal year.

1. Equipment and Supplies \$200,000

This category accounts for various equipment and supplies specific to the patrol, criminal investigation and administrative bureaus' operational needs. It includes office equipment, hardware, media equipment, snow plowing equipment, and National Night Out supplies.

2. Neighborhood Initiatives \$100,000

This money will be used toward neighborhood initiatives divided among the seven police districts. The neighborhood initiative expenditures were derived from feedback provided by the residents and alderpersons in those neighborhoods based on items that are permissible under federal asset forfeiture regulations. Requests include: a speed board, steering wheel locks, pole cameras for illegal dumping and targeted criminal activity, and a backpack giveaway. Funding will also support Crime Stoppers.

3. MKE Urban Stables \$175,000

This money will be used to support the new MKE Urban Stables, which opened in 2020. Funded expenses include technology costs and monthly rent for a year, a new horse, a skid loader and gear. The MKE Urban Stables house the Department's Mounted Patrol.

Starting in 2021, the Mounted Patrol will provide public education and community service programs for schools and community groups.

4. Cameras \$50,000

This money will be used to purchase at least five (5) new pole cameras for the districts and at least two (2) new automated license plate reader cameras for Project Greenlight.

5. Technology \$30,000

This money will be used to support the various technological needs of the Department, including a license with Lexis Nexis and a 360 image spherical image capture kit for our Forensics Unit.

6. Traffic Enforcement \$80,000

Provides funding for various traffic enforcement tools, including a speed board, steering wheel locks, portable "Slow Down" signs, and motorcycle equipment for the Motorcycle Unit.

7. Specialized Patrol Division \$200,000

Provides funding for various Specialized Patrol Division equipment, including equipment for the Motorcycle Unit, Crash Reconstruction Unit, Honor Guard, Canine Unit and Tactical Enforcement Unit. Equipment includes tools, batteries, scopes, conex boxes for storage and training, rappel harnesses, and honor guard materials used at ceremonial events and funerals.

8. Training \$45,000

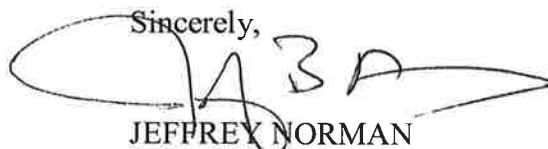
Costs to cover departmentwide active shooter training, as well as training for Specialized Investigations Division.

9. Administrative and Miscellaneous Expenses for Command \$50,000

This category accounts for on-going various small dollar purchases for each Command in addition to expenses incurred in the seizure of vehicles or other non-monetary property. 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.

This plan may be revised, pursuant to the provisions of Common Council File No. 920252, in the event of a change in the Department's needs or priorities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Norman", written over a horizontal line.

JEFFREY NORMAN
ACTING CHIEF OF POLICE