

Reply to Common Council File No. 030522

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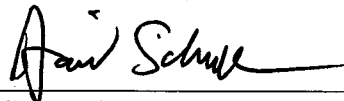
Common Council File 030522 contains a resolution authorizing the acceptance and expenditure of contributions received by the Milwaukee Police Department from federally forfeited tangible property or cash for increased or enhanced law enforcement purposes. Common Council File 920252 requires the Police 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 additional planned use of Asset Forfeiture funds. The original 2003 plan was previously passed by the Common Council.

The 2003 Asset Forfeiture Spending Plan addition provides funding totaling \$51,915.

Projects include \$5,915 for signage at the new Midtown Substation, \$11,000 taser pilot program, \$4,000 pepper ball pilot program, and \$8,000 for radio earphones. The Administration does not recommend at this time the \$23,000 printing press. The City is in the process of assessing its printing policies and whether it is reasonable to either combine printing operations within the City or to outsource such services. Further review is necessary before it is recommended that the Milwaukee Police Department purchase a new printing press.

It is important to note that not all of items presented in the report are eventually funded and revisions to the plan such as this may occur if the needs or priorities of the department change.

RECOMMENDATION: AMEND THE 2003 ASSET FORFEITURE SPENDING PLAN AS SUBMITTED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT BY ELIMINATING \$23,000 IN FUNDING FOR THE PRINTING PRESS.



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