

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURE FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL COMPREHENSIVE CRIME CONTROL ACT OF 1984 TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR SPECIALIZED LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING, LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS (INCLUSIVE OF OVERTIME, CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT FEES), AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$250,000.00; AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES TO ESTABLISH ACCOUNT(S) AS MAY BE NEEDED; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE RECOGNITION OF REVENUE AND APPROPRIATION OF NET ASSETS IN FUND 12 TO THOSE ACCOUNTS.

WHEREAS, the Federal Comprehensive Act of 1984 authorized the federal officials to implement a national asset forfeiture program; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program serves not only to deter crimes but also to provide valuable additional resources to state and local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, one of the most important provisions of asset forfeiture is the authorization to share federal forfeiture proceeds with cooperating state and local law enforcement agencies; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice's Equitable Sharing Guidelines (Guidelines) sets forth that Federal Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds may be expended on permissible uses such as specialized training, law enforcement investigations (which may include the payment of overtime and payment of confidential informant fees), and law enforcement equipment under certain parameters; and

WHEREAS, the Guidelines require that the Police Department obtain approval for such expenditures from the City Commission; and

WHEREAS, the Police Department is requesting authorization to expend Federal Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds in the amount of \$250,000.00 for costs associated with specialized training, law enforcement investigations and initiatives (inclusive of overtime and payment of confidential informant fees), and the acquisition of law enforcement equipment for the use by law enforcement personnel that supports law enforcement activities; and

WHEREAS, all permissible use expenditures relating to training and the acquisition of equipment will be in accordance with the City's Purchasing Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Financial Services is hereby authorized to create certain accounts to recognize revenue and appropriate program funding; and

WHEREAS, the expenditure of such Federal Law Enforcement Funds will incur no cost to the taxpayers of the City of Hollywood; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police recommends that \$250,000.00 be made available from the Federal Law Enforcement Forfeiture Fund and the Department of Financial Service will create certain accounts to recognize revenue and appropriate program funding for the permissible uses of specialized training, law enforcement investigations and initiatives (inclusive of overtime and payment of confidential informant fees), and the acquisition of law enforcement equipment for use by law enforcement personnel that supports law enforcement activities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA:

Section 1: That it hereby approves and authorizes the expenditure of Federal Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds pursuant to the Federal Comprehensive Act of 1985 to provide funding for specialized training, law enforcement investigations and initiatives (inclusive of overtime and payment of confidential informant fees), and the acquisition of law enforcement equipment all purchases/training (to be made in accordance with the City's Purchasing Ordinance), in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00.

Section 2: That it hereby authorizes the Department of Financial Services to create certain accounts to recognize revenue and appropriate program funding.

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Section 3: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2015.

PETER BOBER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

PATRICIA A. CERNY, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY
for the use and reliance of the
City of Hollywood, Florida, only.

JEFFREY P. SHEFFEL, CITY ATTORNEY