

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL (JUSTICE) LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURE FUNDS PURSUANT TO THE FEDERAL COMPREHENSIVE CRIME CONTROL ACT OF 1984, TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR 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 \$300,000.00; AND AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2018 ADOPTED OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURE FUND 12 AS DETAILED IN EXHIBIT 1.

WHEREAS, the Federal Comprehensive Act of 1984 authorized 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 (Justice) 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 (Justice) Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds in the amount of \$300,000 for costs associated with law enforcement 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 Acting Chief of Police recommends that \$300,000.00 be made available from the Federal (Justice) Law Enforcement Forfeiture Fund, and the Department of Financial Services 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; and

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

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2018 Operating Budget of the City of Hollywood was adopted and approved by the City Commission pursuant to Resolution R-2017-288 at the 2nd Public Budget Hearing on September 27, 2017; and

WHEREAS, funding is available in the Fund Balance of the Law Enforcement Forfeiture Fund (Fund 12) which is to be recognized and appropriated for the specific permissible uses as described above and detailed in the attached Exhibit 1; and

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

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 (Justice) Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funds pursuant to the Federal Comprehensive Act of 1984 to provide funding for law enforcement 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 \$300,000.00.

Section 2: That it hereby authorizes the Department of Financial Services to create certain accounts to recognize revenue and appropriate program funding as detailed in the attached Exhibit 1.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXPENDITURE OF FEDERAL (JUSTICE) LAW ENFORCEMENT FORFEITURE FUNDS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING, LAW ENFORCEMENT INVESTIGATIONS AND INITIATIVES (INCLUSIVE OF OVERTIME AND PAYMENT OF CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT FEES) AND THE ACQUISITION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000.00.

Section 3: That the Amendments, Adjustments and Transfers to the Operating Budget of the City of Hollywood for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2017, relating to the Law Enforcement Forfeiture Fund, Fund 12, are hereby approved, adopted and accepted as Amendments to the Operating Budget of the City of Hollywood, Florida for the Fiscal Year 2018 and the identified funds therein.

Section 4: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

JOSH LEVY, 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.

DOUGLAS R. GONZALES, CITY ATTORNEY