CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-172

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000 FROM FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSET FUND (F.A.F.) MONIES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT TO SUPPLEMENT THE ACQUISITION OF A MOBILE COMMAND POST VEHICLE FOR UTILIZATION BY THE CORAL GABLES POLICE DEPARTMENT.

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables Police Department participates with federal law enforcement agencies of the United States Departments of Justice, Treasury and/or Homeland Security in joint law enforcement operations, and the Coral Gables Police Department's participation in those joint investigations produces federally seized funds; and

WHEREAS, at the discretion of the United States Attorney General under United States Statute 18 U.S.C., Section 981(e)(2) and 21 U.S.C., Section 881(e)(1)(a) and (e)(3)(b), the Coral Gables Police Department may lawfully retain at the conclusion of the legal proceedings the federally seized funds; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables Police Department has identified a need for additional funding to supplement the acquisition of the mobile command post vehicle; and

WHEREAS, additional equipment was added to the mobile command post vehicle project under the Invitation for Bid #2020-007 process; and

WHEREAS, the Assistant Director for Information Technology and Assistant Director for Fleet Management have verified and determined these items as essential equipment for the functionality and operation of the vehicle; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables Chief of Police requests to expend these funds for use by the Department for law enforcement equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables Chief of Police certifies that the request complies with all provisions of the appropriate F.A.F. requirements as identified in the United States Justice Departments publication entitled "Guide to Equitable Sharing for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies"; and

WHEREAS, the Coral Gables Chief of Police, Edward J. Hudak, Jr., and the Coral Gables Finance Director, Diana Gomez, attest to have deposited the sum of \$40,000 in said forfeited funds into the Coral Gables Forfeited Asset Fund; and

WHEREAS, City leadership has reviewed, vetted, and approved the Coral Gables Chief of Police's request to expend as needed the available forfeited asset funds via memorandum dated July 28, 2020;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF CORAL GABLES:

SECTION 1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to authorize the Finance Director to expend \$40,000 from Federal Forfeited Asset Fund (F.A.F.) monies for law enforcement equipment; to supplement the acquisition of a mobile command post vehicle for utilization by the Coral Gables Police Department.

SECTION 2. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-FIFTH DAY OF AUGUST A.D., 2020.

(Moved: Lago/ Seconded: Mena)

(Voice Vote)

(Agenda Item: D-7)

APPROVED:

RAUL VALDES-FAULI

MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS

CITY CLERK