

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-229

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$28,000 FROM FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSET FUND (F.A.F.) MONIES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT; THE ACQUISITION OF TACTICAL MEDIC PROGRAM EQUIPMENT 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 a Tactical Medic Program to provide immediate medical support capabilities to the SWAT Team during high-risk or life-threatening incidents; and

WHEREAS, Tactical Medics are sworn in as Auxiliary Police Officers, a secondary assignment to their primary position as Coral Gables Firefighter; and

WHEREAS, four Coral Gables Firefighters were selected as part of this program and require the proper equipment to fulfill their responsibilities as a Tactical Medic; 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 \$28,000 in said forfeited funds into the Coral Gables Forfeited Asset Fund; and

WHEREAS, the F.A.F. Committee met on June 26, 2019, and followed the F.A.F. Committee operating procedures adopted on July 23, 2002; and

WHEREAS, the F.A.F. Committee approved the Coral Gables Chief of Police's request to encumber and expend as needed the available forfeited asset funds on the specific items listed below on this resolution;

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

SECTION 1. That the foregoing "Whereas" clauses are hereby ratified and confirmed as being true and correct and are hereby made a specific part of this Resolution upon its passage and adoption herein.

SECTION 2. That the City Manager is hereby directed to authorize the Finance Director to expend \$28,000 from Federal Forfeited Asset Fund (F.A.F.) monies for law enforcement equipment; the acquisition of Tactical Medic Program equipment for utilization by the Coral Gables Police Department.

SECTION 3. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its passage and adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF AUGUST A.D., 2019.


(Moved: Lago / Seconded: Mena)
(Yeas: Fors, Jr., Keon, Lago, Mena, Valdes-Fauli)
(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote)
(Agenda Item: D-2)

APPROVED:



RAUL VALDES-FAULI
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BILLY Y. URQUIA
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:



MIRIAM SOLER RAMOS
CITY ATTORNEY