

City of Coral Gables City Commission Meeting **August 24, 2021**

ITEM TITLE:

Resolution. A Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Coral Gables, Florida, authorizing the City Attorney to take legal action In Re: Forfeiture of \$65,000 in U.S. Currency, 1 Louis Vuitton black shoulder bag, bank straps, Halls cough drops, a key, and 200 Columbian pesos

BRIEF HISTORY:

On July 29, 2021, the Coral Gables Police Department Special Investigations Section conducted a joint operation with the Drug Enforcement Agency ("DEA") relating to the sale of Bitcoin. During the joint operation, it came to light that the Bitcoin was intended to be used for the purchase of cocaine and resulted in the seizure of 65,000.00 in U.S. Currency, 1 Louis Vuitton black shoulder bag, bank straps, Halls cough drops, a key, and 200 Columbian pesos.

In order for the seized property to be forfeited to the City of Coral Gables, under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act, the City must file a civil complaint. This resolution authorizes the City Attorney to proceed with the filing of a complaint under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act in order to have the seized property forfeited to the City of Coral Gables.

ATTACHMENT(S):

1. Resolution - Draft