

CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

RESOLUTION NO. 2016-

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN EXPENDITURE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$382,380 FROM FEDERAL FORFEITED ASSET FUND (F.A.F.) MONIES FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT; THE PURCHASE OF A Lenco BEARCAT 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**, due the increasing number of assaults on Police officers, the Coral Gables Police Department's Training Section and S.W.A.T. personnel, as well as the Coral Gables Fire Department, have collaborated to research the purchase of an armored vehicle; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coral Gables Police Department identified the Lenco BearCat as the most versatile vehicle with the capability of operating a variety of tactical and rescue roles; and

**WHEREAS**, the Coral Gables Police Department selected a configured Lenco BearCat that would provide a wide range of capabilities the Department does not currently possess, including increased safety under fire for responding officers, as well as for rescue personnel and civilians; 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 \$382,380 in said forfeited funds into the Coral Gables Forfeited Asset Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the F.A.F. Committee met on August 5, 2016, 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:**

1. That the City Manager is hereby directed to authorize the Finance Director to expend \$382,380 to the Coral Gables Police Department from Federal Forfeited Asset Fund monies for law enforcement equipment; the purchase a Lenco BearCat for utilization by the Coral Gables Police Department.
2. That this Resolution shall become effective upon the date of its adoption herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS TWENTY-EIGHTH DAY OF SEPTEMBER A.D., 2016.

(Moved by )

JIM CASON  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

WALTER J. FOEMAN  
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND  
LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRAIG E. LEEN  
CITY ATTORNEY