## CITY OF CORAL GABLES, FLORIDA

## **RESOLUTION NO. 2016-221**

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

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**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:

**SECTION 1.** That the City Commission does hereby instruct the City Manager 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.

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

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

(Moved: Keon / Seconded: Quesada)

(Yeas: Lago, Quesada, Slesnick, Keon, Cason)

(Unanimous: 5-0 Vote) (Agenda Item: C-4)

APPROVED:

JIM CASON MAYOR

WALTER J. FOEMAN

CITY CLERK

TTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND

LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

CRAIG E. LEEN

CITY ATTORNEY

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