

City of Pensacola

Memorandum

File #: 2019-41 City Council 9/26/2019

LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM

SPONSOR: Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

SUBJECT:

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 2019-41 - LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (LETF) PURCHASES FOR THE PENSACOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2019-41.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND MAKING REVISIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2019; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

HEARING REQUIRED: No Hearing Required

SUMMARY:

The Law Enforcement Trust Fund was established by City of Pensacola to allow the Police Department the use of money and goods confiscated as a result of criminal activity. Florida State Statute 932.7055 as amended on July 1, 2016 details the circumstances confiscated goods may be used. The Federal Controlled Substance Act, Section 881 (e) (3) of Title 21, United States Code, in accordance with the United States Department of Justice Guide to Equitable Sharing designates the uses of Federal Law Enforcement Trust Funds.

The Pensacola Police Department is requesting \$10,000 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF) established by the City of Pensacola as a non-major special revenue fund and as such, combining both state and federal confiscated funds into one accounting fund. The request is for the purchase of school supplies, toys, cups and other related items that contain contact information for the Pensacola Police Department (PPD). These PPD branded items will be used as giveaways and prizes at schools, community events and other situations that cultivate positive interaction and relationships between law enforcement and community members. Positive relationships between community members and law enforcement promote safe neighborhoods; and improve crime reporting to, and cooperation with, law enforcement.

The Pensacola Police Department is requesting \$1,500 be appropriated from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (LETF) for the purpose of donating to Southern Youth Sports Association (SYSA). The SYSA is a non-profit organization which uses football to reach disadvantaged youth in the area and

provide an opportunity for positive interaction which prevents mischief and criminal activity. They also promote accountability and responsibility which can lead to safer neighborhoods and an increase in trust with law enforcement. Southern Youth Sports Association will use these funds to provide equipment, mentoring and tutoring for these at risk youths to assist in reaching these goals.

I certify that this request complies with the statutory requirements of Florida Statute 932.7055 and that the funds appropriated will be used for the qualifying purpose(s) of crime prevention and safe neighborhood.

PRIOR ACTION:

None

FUNDING:

Budget: \$11,500

Actual: \$10,000 Community Policing & Crime Prevention

\$ 1,500 SYSA Non-Profit Grant

\$11,500

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

The funds would be from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund and would have no impact on the City's General Fund. The attached Supplemental Budget Resolution will appropriate funds for these purposes.

CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW: Yes

9/17/2019

STAFF CONTACT:

Christopher L. Holley, City Administrator Tommi S. Lyter, Chief of Police

ATTACHMENTS:

- 1) Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2019-41
- 2) Supplemental Budget Explanation No. 2019-41
- 3) Letter of Certification
- 4) Correspondence from Southern Youth Sports Association

PRESENTATION: No