



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 2022-068

City Council

9/15/2022

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

**SUBJECT:**

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION NO. 2022-068 LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (LETF) PURCHASE FOR THE PENSACOLA POLICE DEPARTMENT

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That City Council adopt Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2022-068.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND MAKING REVISIONS AND APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; 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. Such proceeds and interest earned therefrom shall be used for school resource officer, crime prevention, safe neighborhood, drug abuse education and prevention programs, or for other law enforcement purposes, which include defraying the cost of protracted or complex investigations, providing additional equipment or expertise, purchasing automated external defibrillators for use in law enforcement vehicles, and providing matching funds to obtain federal grants Fla. Stat. Ann. § 932.7055

The Pensacola Police Department (PPD) is requesting \$27,900.00 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund 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 enhancement of relationships between law enforcement and the community promotes a safe and engaged community.

The requested amount of \$27,900.00 will be used to purchase 20 automated external defibrillators (AEDs) at a cost of \$1,395.00 each to help people experiencing cardiac arrest.

PPD officers currently use AEDs in the field during normal operations. This medical device can analyze a heart rhythm and deliver an electrical shock to help re-establish an effective heart rhythm. AEDs only work if there is a rhythm which can occur after standard CPR.

PPD officers are first on-scene of medical emergencies. A quicker response to cardiac arrests and similar incidents with an AED is critical to saving a life. By equipping as many officers as possible with AEDs, the department and City are providing a life-saving tool to citizens.

The PPD has 30 AEDs, many of which have reached the end of their usage. The department would best be suited with 60 AEDs, putting one with every patrol officer and providing one for every geographical area within city limits.

**PRIOR ACTION:**

None

**FUNDING:**

Budget: \$27,900.00 - Law Enforcement Trust Fund

Actual: \$27,900.00 - 20 AEDs @ \$1,395.00 each

**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.

**LEGAL REVIEW ONLY BY CITY ATTORNEY:** Yes

8/16/2022

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Kerrith Fiddler, City Administrator  
Eric Randall, Chief of Police

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) Supplemental Budget Resolution No. 2022-068
- 2) Supplemental Budget Explanation No. 2022-068
- 3) Letter of Certification - Draft

**PRESENTATION:** No