

City of Greensboro

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Greensboro, NC 27401

Agenda Report

File Number: 2024-129

Agenda Item# G.2

Agenda Date: 2/20/2024. **Department:** Police

Meeting Type: Council Meeting Category: Consent Agenda

Title: 2024 - 129 Ordinance to Approve State, Federal, and Other Grants Fund Budget for Police

Federal Forfeiture Grant for Equipment and Service Contract- \$200,000

Council Priority: Place an 'x' in the box.

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 ✓ Easiest Place to Do Business
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Council District: All

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: NA

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PURPOSE:

The Greensboro Police Department has received funds from the Department of Treasury Equitable Sharing Program ("Federal Forfeiture") in the amount of \$200,000. The department wishes to use the grant funds for equipment and services not included in their general fund budget. A budget ordinance needs to be approved by City Council to permit the expenditure of funds.

BACKGROUND:

The Greensboro Police Department wishes to purchase equipment and professional services that cannot be obtained with their general fund budget. The department believes the equipment is necessary in its continuing efforts to effectively reduce crime and to enhance officer safety. The professional services contract to be funded is the subject matter expert consultants to assist the department with the implementation of their new Records Management System. The use of the consultants will ease the burden of the project from the Public Safety IT section as well as police command staff by overseeing tasks, timelines and contract compliance with the RMS vendor.

Federal law authorizes the Attorney General and the Secretary of the Treasury to share federally forfeited property with participating state and local law enforcement agencies [21 U.S.C. § 881(e)(1)(A), 18 U.S.C. § 981(e)(2), and 19 U.S.C. § 1616a; 31 U.S.C. § 9705(b)(4)(A) and

(b)(4)(B)]. The Guide to Equitable Sharing for State, Local, and Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies (July 2018) states the costs associated with law enforcement equipment and contracts for services that enhance or supports law enforcement activity are permissible use of the funds.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The Greensboro Police Department has identified Equitable Sharing Program funds for the contract and equipment. There is no adverse budgetary impact. The funds will be housed in account 220-35-3598157.

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

220-35-3598157

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council adopt the attached budget ordinance.