

City of Greensboro

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Office Building
300 W. Washington Street
Greensboro, NC 27401

Agenda Report

File Number: 2024-473

Agenda Item# G.2.

Agenda Date: 7/9/2024. **Department:** Police

Meeting Type: Council Meeting Category: Consent Agenda

Title: 2024 – 473 Ordinance Amending State, Federal, and Other Grants Fund Budget in the

amount of \$400,000 to Continue Police Software Subscriptions

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

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Council District: All

Public Hearing: No

Advertising Date/By: N/A

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PURPOSE:

The Greensboro Police Department has received funds from the Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program ("Federal Forfeiture") in the amount of \$400,000. The department wishes to continue their subscriptions to investigative and administrative software that are not supported by their general fund budget. Approval of the budget ordinance is requested from the Greensboro City Council in accordance with current city fiscal procedures.

BACKGROUND:

The Greensboro Police Department wishes to continue subscribing to needed investigative and administrative software, such as Fusus and Guardian Tracker. Fusus is the platform that supports the department's Real Time Crime Center and has proven to be a strong investigative tool in solving violent crime. Guardian Track serves as both an early warning intervention software for supervisors and also as a platform to provide systematic feedback to personnel in recognition of their outstanding work. The subscriptions are renewed annually but cannot be absorbed by the department's current budget.

Title 21, United States Code, Section 881 (e) allows local law enforcement agencies to share in the proceeds from the sale of seized assets and cash from certain criminal investigations. The Police Department has received proceeds from the Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program based upon the Police Department's involvement in the originating investigations and/or arrests which generate the seizures. The funds must be spent solely on law enforcement purposes by the law enforcement agency. Sharing will be withheld from any agency where federal equitable sharing funds are transferred to non-law enforcement agencies or expended for non-law enforcement purposes.

BUDGET IMPACT:

The Greensboro Police Department has identified Equitable Sharing Program funds for the contract. There is no adverse budgetary impact

ACCOUNT NUMBER:

220-35-3598159

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION REQUESTED:

It is recommended that City Council adopt the attached budget ordinance establishing funding in the amount of \$400,000 from Department of Justice Equitable Sharing Program funds for use by the Greensboro Police Department.