

COUNCIL MEETING
November 20 2007

Honorable Mayor and Members
of the Torrance City Council
City Hall
Torrance, California

Members of the Council:

SUBJECT: Police - Appropriate and allocate asset forfeiture funds to the Special Program account. Expenditure: \$25,000.

RECOMMENDATION

The Police Chief recommends that City Council appropriate and allocate \$25,000 in earned interest from the Asset Forfeiture Special Program account to fund the ongoing operation of the Vice and Narcotics special programs.

Funding

Funding is available in the Asset Forfeiture Special Program Account.

BACKGROUND

The Police Department has several special purpose Asset Forfeiture accounts which were established by Council in the 1990s. The appropriated funds in the Special Program account have been depleted through normal use and are in need of replenishment.

ANALYSIS

Occasionally, events occur which require the acquisition of new equipment or supplies or the funding of special investigations. Regardless of the amount of the expenditure, under the old asset forfeiture spending procedures it was necessary that a council agenda item be prepared in order to request an appropriation to purchase the item or fund the investigation.

At the time that Council approved of the concept and creation of an Asset Forfeiture Special Program account, \$500,000 in seed money was appropriated, and the

account was established with the intent that it would self-fund through accrued interest. The appropriated funds from the interest in the account are again in need of replenishment, and the Department is recommending that \$25,000 in earned interest be appropriated and allocated in order to fund ongoing special programs.

Respectfully submitted,

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CONCUR:


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City Manager