



## **INTERNAL MEMO**

**To:** Honorable Mayor and City Commission

**From:** Ambreen Bhatti, City Manager

**By:** Captain William Jackson, District Chief

**Date:** 05/06/14

**Subject:** LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND PURCHASES

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I am requesting to utilize funding from the City's Law Enforcement Trust Fund to purchase the following items in accordance with Section 932.7055 of Florida Statutes and the City of North Lauderdale purchasing policies.

### **Donation To The North Lauderdale Youth Foundation**

The Sheriff's Office has a long standing tradition of making donations to the North Lauderdale Recreational Foundation. The foundation has an excellent tradition and reputation for providing resources to the children of our community that help to keep them involved in a positive way while keeping them out of the criminal justice system. The Parks and Recreation Department has identified some excellent initiatives that would be beneficial to our community and would further assist the youth in our community while creating a safe environment. Some of those identified initiatives include purchasing a Chevy Spark. The Spark would be used by the Park Ranger to monitor and patrol the City Parks. The Ranger would work with the Sheriff's Office by creating a presence and by reporting suspicious, unsafe activity. Summer camp sponsorships are also an excellent initiative to help the children of North Lauderdale. Offering enrollment in City Run summer camps is a way of providing organized activities for children that would otherwise be unattended during the summer. Deputies regularly monitored and worked with the summer camps by providing tours, mentoring sessions, and anti-bullying strategies. Scholarships for City-run programs offer fee-reductions for needy children. Again, these organized activities keep children safe and give them less opportunity to get involved criminally with the criminal justice system.

I am requesting to utilize funding from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to make a donation to the North Lauderdale Recreational Foundation not to exceed the amount of \$25,000.00

## **Community Outreach Items**

The Broward Sheriff's Office North Lauderdale District is committed to being a "hometown" police service. In that light, we are always trying to interact with the community in a positive way. One of the ways we accomplish this goal is to attend as many local events as possible. As an "icebreaker" we often have give-aways for the community. We purchase different items in order to match the event that we are servicing. For example, when dealing with events at the schools, we have crime prevention coloring books and Deputy Star stickers. When attending events with adults we have items that they can use in a practical way but have the Sheriff's logo and phone number printed on them. We have found that these items help us to interact in a positive way with the community. They also help to foster relationships that further our goal of crime prevention and safety.

I am requesting the permission to utilize Law Enforcement Trust Funds to purchase community outreach items at an amount not to exceed \$5,861.00.

## **District Gym Renovation & Redesign.**

Prior to the North Lauderdale merger with the Broward Sheriff's Office, gym equipment was purchased with Law Enforcement Trust Funds. At that time, the unique shape of the room used to house the equipment was not taken into consideration. As a result, the equipment never fit properly which caused the room to be over-crowded and uncomfortable to use. Due to the crowded conditions of the current gym, many of the North Lauderdale Deputies use the Tamarac District Office gym during their lunch break. Recognizing that keeping district deputies within the boundaries of North Lauderdale would be beneficial, the staff looked into redesigning the gym with equipment that could be accommodated by the room that is available.

A gym design expert from Busy Body Gyms to Go was able to design an excellent gym based on the space that we have. Our current gym equipment, except for the elliptical machine and the bicep preacher curl, will be given to the City of North Lauderdale to be used for an employee gym that they are going to create. When the new gym is completed, district deputies will be required to use the district gym and will not be permitted to use other BSO facilities to exercise while on-duty.

I am requesting the permission to utilize funding from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to purchase gym equipment (see attached proposal) at an amount not to exceed \$23,715.00

## **RECOMMENDATION**

The City Administration and the Broward Sheriff's Office are recommending the Commission's consideration and approval of the attached resolution authorizing expenditure in an amount not to exceed 54,586.00 for the purchase of a donation to the North Lauderdale Recreational Foundation, Community Outreach Items, and the Renovation and Redesign of the District Gym.

**RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATION AND THE BROWARD SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE NOT TO EXCEED \$54,586.00 FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF DONATION TO THE NORTH LAUDERDALE YOUTH FOUNDATION, COMMUNITY OUTREACH ITEMS, AND THE RENOVATION AND REDESIGN OF THE NORTH LAUDERDALE DISTRICT GYM; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

WHEREAS, the Broward Sheriff's Office and the City Administration recommend the use of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for the purchase of equipment as set forth in Section 1

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA:**

**Section 1:** That the city commission of the City of North Lauderdale, Florida, be and the same does hereby approve the recommendation of the City Administration and the Broward Sheriff's Office and authorized the expenditure of \$54,586.00 for the purchase in the form of a Donation to the North Lauderdale Youth Foundation, the purchase of Community Outreach Items, and the Renovation and Redesign of the North Lauderdale District Gym.

**Section 2:** That the total cost shall come from available funds held within the City's Law Enforcement Trust Fund in accordance with section 932.705 Florida Statutes.

**Section 3:** That this resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption

**PASSED and ADOPTED by the Commission of the City of North Lauderdale, Florida, this 13<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.**

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY SAMUEL S. GOREN

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MAYOR JACK BRADY

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VICE MAYOR JERRY GRAZIOSE

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK PATRICIA VANCHERI