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TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: May 6, 2014

TITLE: Motion to Approve the Use of State and Federal Law Enforcement Trust

Funds for 6 Crime Prevention Initiatives

Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the use of State Law Enforcement Trust Fund for the following:

- Donation to Fort Lauderdale Zeta Chi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Lamplighters Program - \$5,000
- 2. Donation to Fort Lauderdale's Black Police Officers Assoc. Teen Summit \$5,000
- 3. Purchase 1000 SmartWater Units from SmartWater CSI \$30,000 (500 units For Middle River Terrace neighborhood and 500 units for Lauderdale Manors neighborhood)
- 4. Purchase 1000 Locking License Plate Fasteners from Swells Automotive Group \$1,940.00

It is recommended that the City Commission approve the use of Federal Law Enforcement Trust Fund for the following:

- 5. Purchase Fingerprint Scanners from Cross Match Technologies, Inc. State of Florida Contract 680-370-07-1 \$9,484
- Additional Expenditure for Undercover Vehicle Rental Services Contract 13-C-103 - \$14,760 (two year cost \$29,520)

Background

1. The Fort Lauderdale Zeta Chi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Lamplighters Program has mentored over 100 young black males since 2008. The program was developed to create opportunities for young black males to maintain contact with positive black men, which is consistent with Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's cardinal principles of Manhood, Scholarship, Perseverance and Uplift. Their primary goal is to instill in their participants positive behavioral habits to help them understand the value of being productive young men in our community, which is clearly an effective crime prevention technique. Since its inception, 100% of the participants have graduated from high school and no one has entered the criminal justice system. This contribution will be used to defray the cost of 16 Lamplighter mentees and 4

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chaperons to attend and participate in the 29th National Preventing Crime in the Black Community Conference that will be held in Jacksonville, Florida, May 28-30, 2014. The conference, sponsored by the Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi, is a collaborative effort to foster communication and action among practitioners through the sharing of innovative ideas and prevention strategies that are successful in black communities. A major component of the program will be directed toward alternatives to youth violence.

- 2. The Teen Summit was developed to foster positive relationships with at-risk teenagers that are City of Fort Lauderdale neighbors engaged in criminal activity. The main focus is crime prevention through a series of workshops taught by Fort Lauderdale Police Officers. Topics include life skills and critical preventive strategies against gang violence and substance abuse. This event exposes our youth to important information that is critical to their success. The funds requested will be used to defray the costs of the Fort Lauderdale Black Police Officers Association, the 2014 Teen Summit host. The event is scheduled for May 23, 2014.
- 3. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division, specifically the Property Crimes Unit, handled over 11,000 property crime cases in 2013. A significant amount of the cases were burglaries. The Police Department recently adopted an innovative crime reduction strategy using SmartWater CSI; a forensic coding liquid that is applied to property items vulnerable for theft. SmartWater was distributed to residents in the South Middle River neighborhood, an area plagued with burglaries. Since the SmartWater implementation, there was a 14% reduction of burglaries in the South Middle River neighborhood. However, there was a 76% increase of burglaries in the Middle River Terrace neighborhood, and Lauderdale Manors has had the second highest number of burglaries in the City of Fort Lauderdale for the past two years. Middle River Terrace and Lauderdale Manors border South Middle River, and SmartWater would be a new initiative in both neighborhoods.
- 4. Neighbors and guests have been victimized by a noted increase of license plate thefts. In an effort to reduce the number of thefts, the Police Department is requesting to purchase Locking License Plate Fasteners; an anti-theft device. The devices will be provided to neighbors to combat license plate thefts.
- 5. When our officers are conducting investigations and speaking with criminal suspects, it is imperative that we confirm the suspect's identity as quickly as possible. Some individuals provide inaccurate information in an attempt to prevent the Police Department from discovering their true criminal history, suspended driver's license or active warrants for their arrest. In an effort to increase the efficiency of identifying individuals and officer safety, we are requesting to purchase 4 fingerprint scanners.
- 6. On August 20, 2013, Commission Agenda Memo 13-1022, the City Commission approved an annual contract for undercover vehicle rental services. It has become necessary for the City to rent two additional vehicles that will be used as decoys. In 2013, decoy vehicles played a significant role in the Department's crime reduction strategy that led to the apprehension of criminal suspects. To continue its success, the Police Department is requesting to use federal confiscation funds to rent two

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additional vehicles. The purchase CAM, #14-0578, is a companion item on this agenda.

Resource Impact

The fiscal impact in the various funds is outlined below. The numbers below correspond to the descriptions in the background section of this document.

Items 1 and 2: There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$10,000. Funding for these items is available in the FY 2014 budget in Fund 104, Sub-Fund 01, POL050201, 4299 (Other Contribution).

Funds available as of April 21, 2014						
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB-OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	DONATION AMOUNT	
104 - POL050201 - 4299	MISCELLANEOUS COMMISSION APPROPRIATIONS	OTHER OPERATION EXPENSE / OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS	\$63,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$10,000.00	
			DONATION TOTAL ►		\$10,000.00	

Items 3 and 4: There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$31,940. Funding for these items is available in the FY 2014 budget in Fund 104, Sub-Fund 10, POL050101, 3999 (Other Supplies).

Funds available as of April 21, 2014						
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT	
104-POL050101 3999	POLICE CONFISCATED PROPERTY- OPERATIONS	SERVICES/MATERIAL OTHER SUPPLIES	\$187,854	\$96,107	\$31,940	
			PURCHASE TOTAL ▶		\$31,940	

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Item 5: There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$9,484. Funding for this item is available in the FY 2014 budget in Fund 107, Sub-Fund 10, POL080101, 3946 (Tools & Equipment).

Funds available as of April 21, 2014						
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT	
107-POL080101 3946	JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE	SERVICES/MATERIAL TOOLS & EQUIPMENT	\$210,000	\$101,640	\$9,484	
			PURCHASE TOTAL ►		\$9,484	

Item 6: There is a fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$29,520. Funding for this item is available in the FY 2014 in Fund 107, Sub-Fund 10, POL080101, 3307 (Vehicle Rental). See purchase CAM # 14-0578.

Funds available as of April 21, 2014					
ACCOUNT NUMBER	INDEX NAME (Program)	OBJECT CODE/ SUB- OBJECT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Object Code)	AVAILABLE BALANCE (Object Code)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
107-POL080101 3307	JUSTICE DEPARTMENT TASK FORCE	SERVICES/MATERIAL VEHICLE RENTAL	\$210,000	\$101,640	\$29,520
			PURCHASE TOTAL ►		29,520

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the *Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence*, specifically advancing:

- **Goal 9:** Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- **Objective 1:** Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

Related CAMs: #14-0578

Attachment

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Exhibit 1 – Chief's Certification

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