



Legislation Text

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BACKGROUND: This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$197,500.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Federal and State Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Funds for the Division of Police. Funds were received from seized and forfeited property and are used solely for law enforcement purposes as specified in Ordinance 1850-85. These funds are needed to cover the cost of some of the Division of Police travel and training needs, software maintenance, computer services, and refund court ordered claims.

EMERGENCY DESIGNATION: Emergency legislation is requested in order to appropriate the funds needed for travel and training that may occur, software maintenance, computer services, and to refund court ordered claims.

FISCAL IMPACT: This ordinance authorizes an appropriation of \$197,500.00 in the Federal and State Law Enforcement Contraband/Seizure Funds for the Division of Police.

To authorize an appropriation of \$197,500.00 from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund to the Division of Police to fund travel and training needs, software maintenance, computer services, and refund monies for court ordered claims against the Division of Police; and to declare an emergency. (\$197,500.00)

WHEREAS, monies were received from seized and forfeited property; and,

WHEREAS, funds received from these forfeitures must be solely used for law enforcement purposes as specified in Ordinance #1850-85; and,

WHEREAS, an emergency exists in the usual daily operation of the Public Safety Department, Division of Police, in that it is immediately necessary to appropriate funds in the Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund in order to fund travel and training needs, software maintenance, computer services, and to refund monies for court ordered claims against the Division of Police, thereby preserving the public health, peace, property, safety, and welfare; **now, therefore:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS

SECTION 1. That from the unappropriated monies and from all monies estimated to come into said fund from any and all sources and unappropriated for any other purpose during the fiscal year ending December 31, 2021, the sum of \$197,500.00 is appropriated in Fund 2219 Law Enforcement Contraband Seizure Fund in Object Class 03 Contractual Services, and Object Class 05 Refunds per the accounting codes in the attachment to this ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the monies appropriated in the foregoing Section 1 shall be paid upon order of the Public Safety Director and that no order shall be drawn or money paid except by voucher, the form of which shall be approved by the City Auditor.

SECTION 3. That all funds necessary to carry out the purposes stated herein in 2021 are hereby deemed appropriated in an amount not to exceed the available cash balance in the fund.

SECTION 4. That for the reasons stated in the preamble hereto, which is hereby made a part hereof, this ordinance is

hereby declared to be an emergency measure and shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and approval by the Mayor, or ten days after passage if the Mayor neither approves nor vetoes the same.