

ST. PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL

Consent Agenda

Meeting of July 23, 2009

TO: The Honorable Jeff Danner, Chair, and Members of City Council

SUBJECT:

A resolution approving a supplemental appropriation of \$48,711 from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (1023) for FY09 to fund the startup costs of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Unit; authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this resolution; and providing an effective date.

EXPLANATION:

The Administration requests an appropriation of \$48,711 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund to the Police Department to create and fund the Downtown Deployment ("DDT") Mounted Unit. The purpose of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Officers is to afford accelerated police presence in a high visibility manner in the downtown area. The officers will assist other DDT officers as well as patrol units in the downtown area. This police presence is intended to promote and maintain good community relations, while performing all aspects of community oriented problem solving policing while operating in a mounted patrol capacity. The addition of the mounted patrol officers in the downtown area will promote a positive image for the police department and still maintain a functional aspect of policing in the downtown area.

RECOMMENDATION:

Administration recommends that City Council adopt the attached resolution approving a supplemental appropriation of \$48,711 from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (1023) for FY09 to fund the startup costs of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Unit; authorizing the Mayor or his designee to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this resolution; and providing an effective date.

COST/FUNDING/ASSESSMENT INFORMATION:

Funds to cover the cost of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Unit will be available after approval of the requested supplemental appropriation of \$48,711 from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund (1023), to the Police Department, Federal Justice Forfeiture (140-2858).

APPROVALS:

  
Administration for Chief Harmon

  
Budget

Resolution No. 2009 - \_\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$48,711 FROM THE UNAPPROPRIATED BALANCE OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND (1023) FOR FY09 TO FUND THE STARTUP COSTS OF THE DOWNTOWN DEPLOYMENT MOUNTED UNIT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OR HIS DESIGNEE TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police has approved the creation of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Unit; and

WHEREAS, the creation of the Downtown Deployment Mounted Unit will enhance and assist the Downtown Deployment team in the downtown area or where necessary; and

WHEREAS, the creation of this unit will require initial costs for horses, protective specialty gear and care of the horses in the amount of \$48,711; and

WHEREAS, the Administration recommends that the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund be the source of funding for the initial costs.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of St. Petersburg, Florida, that there is hereby approved the following supplemental appropriation from the unappropriated balance of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund for FY09:

Law Enforcement Trust Fund (1023)

Police Department, Federal Justice Forfeiture (140-2858) \$48,711

; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor or his designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to effectuate this resolution.

This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

Approvals:

Legal: RSS

Administration: C. J. Jordan  
for Chief Hermon

Budget: Ulahofsky  
Budget for Brad Seale