

Legislation Text

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Mounted Patrol Unit FY 2005-2006 Funding from Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund (B)

On October 13, 1997, the City Commission approved the formation of the Gainesville Police Department two member Mounted Patrol Unit and authorized funding through the LECFTF. On January 12, 1998, the City Commission authorized the expansion of the unit to include a third member.

This funding request of \$45,160 is to cover the operating expenses of the unit for FY 2005-2006. The total operating cost includes funding for maintenance of the Mounted Patrol Unit facilities, veterinary services, horse feed, supplies, and refresher training.

A complete breakdown of the funding request is included in the backup.

Funds for this expenditure are available in the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund and are allowable per Federal 21 U.S.C. § 881, found in the U.S. Department of Justice, "A Guide to Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies". The balance in the account is \$4,437,003.04 inclusive of items still pending.

The City Commission approve the appropriation of \$45,160 from the Federal Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the operation of the Mounted Patrol Unit.