

City of Gainesville

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Legislation Text

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State Law Enforcement Forfeiture Funding Expenditure for Hiring of One FTE for Reichert House Youth Academy (B)

This item requests that the City Commission appropriate and expend \$28,000 for the hiring of one full time employee (fte) for the Reichert House Youth Academy.

The Reichert House Youth Academy is requesting funding to continue staffing an additional Intervention Specialist position employed by the Black on Black Crime Task Force, that was funded last year to assist with overall staffing levels for the program. Due to the increased dynamics, grant requirements and the level of maintaining the Reichert House Youth Academy, the Black on Black Crime Task Force is requesting the additional funding in the amount of \$28,000 to hire one Full-Time Employee (FTE). This staff member would serve as an Intervention Specialist at the Reichert House and assist in supervising over 90 youths on a daily basis. Additional duties of this FTE would include working with youth during school hours, as well as afterschool hours, home visits and weekend events. The FTE would also serve as a squad leader for a designated group of youth. In addition, this person would assist program participants in achieving the established standards, such as the F.C.A.T. preparation, prevention activities, sports and anger management.

Funds in the amount of \$28,000 for this expenditure are available in the State Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund and is allowable per Florida State Statute 932.7055. The balance in the account is approximately \$81,150.

The City Commission approve the appropriation in the amount of \$28,000 from the State Law Enforcement Contraband Forfeiture Trust Fund for the hiring of one FTE for the Reichert House Youth Academy.

Alternative recommendation: The City Commission deny funding.