

**RESOLUTION
ROCK COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Robert D. Spoden, Sheriff
INITIATED BY



Diane Michaelis
DRAFTED BY

Public Safety and Justice Committee
SUBMITTED BY

June 25, 2012
DATE DRAFTED

**Amending the Sheriff's 2012 Budget to Use Equitably Shared Funds –
Helmet Communicators**

1 **WHEREAS**, federal law authorizes the Attorney General to share federally forfeited property with
2 participating state and local law enforcement agencies through the Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture
3 Program; and,
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5 **WHEREAS**, equitably shared funds are required to be used by law enforcement agencies for law
6 enforcement purposes only; and,
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8 **WHEREAS**, the intent of the transfer is to enhance law enforcement, and it must increase, not supplant
9 the recipient's appropriated operating budget; and,
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11 **WHEREAS**, the Sheriff's Office plans to use the funds to purchase two wireless helmet communication
12 kits.
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14 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Rock County Board of Supervisors duly assembled
15 this 12 day of July, 2012 that the 2012 budget be amended as follows:
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17		Budget	Increase	Amended
18	Account/Description	01/01/12	(Decrease)	Budget
19	Source of Funds			
20	21-2100-0000-47000			
21	Transfer In	\$28,876.00	\$1,724.00	\$30,600.00
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23	Use of Funds			
24	21-2100-0000-67172			
25	Capital Assets \$500-\$999	\$2,024.00	\$1,724.00	\$3,748.00
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27 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a Purchase Order be issued to PVP Communications of Torrance,
28 CA, in the amount of \$1,724, for the purchase of two wireless helmet communication kits.
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Respectfully submitted,

Public Safety and Justice Committee

Absent
Ivan Collins, Chair

Henry Brill
Henry Brill, Vice Chair

Mary Beaver
Mary Beaver

Brian Knudson
Brian Knudson

Larry Wiedenfeld
Larry Wiedenfeld

Finance Committee Endorsement
Reviewed and approved on a vote of

4-0

Mary Mawhinney
Mary Mawhinney, Chair

FISCAL NOTE:

This resolution authorizes a transfer in from the Sheriff's Trust Account, FBI Forfeitures, A/C 00-0000-0070-29637, which has a current balance of \$34,164.

Sherry Oja
Sherry Oja
Finance Director

LEGAL NOTE:

As an amendment to the adopted 2012 County Budget, this Resolution requires a 2/3 vote of the entire membership of the County Board pursuant to sec. 65.90(5)(a), Wis. Stats. The County Board is authorized to take this action pursuant to secs. 59.01 and 59.51, Wis. Stats.

Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Jeffrey S. Kuglitsch
Corporation Counsel

ADMINISTRATIVE NOTE:

Recommended.

Craig Knutson
Craig Knutson
County Administrator

Executive Summary**Amending the Sheriff's 2012 Budget to
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The Department of Justice Asset Forfeiture Program is a nationwide law enforcement initiative that removes the tools of crime from criminal organizations and deprives wrongdoers of the proceeds of their crimes. Federal law authorizes the Attorney General to share federally forfeited property with participating state and local law enforcement agencies.

Equitably shared funds are required to be used by law enforcement agencies for law enforcement purposes only. The intent of the transfer is to enhance law enforcement. It must increase, not supplant the recipient's appropriated operating budget.

For their participation in the program, the Sheriff's Office received funds in the amount of \$1,724. The Sheriff's Office plans to use the funds to purchase two wireless helmet communicator kits.

The hands free communicators will be installed in helmets of the new motorcycle officers. The communications use hands free, blue tooth technology. The blue tooth technology enables the deputies to keep both hands on the handle bars while still being able to communicate with dispatch or other officers. The communications are not moveable from one helmet to another, and each deputy needs their own helmet.