



AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date: January 22, 2009
Item Number: F-7
To: Honorable Mayor & City Council
From: David L. Snowden
Subject: **APPROPRIATION OF \$3,000 FROM THE INMATE WELFARE FUND TO THE INMATE WELFARE PROGRAM TO FUND THE PURCHASE OF SUPPLIES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S JAIL FACILITY**
Attachments: None

RECOMMENDED MOTION

Appropriation: Staff recommends that the City Council move to approve an appropriation from the Fund 17 fund balance in the amount of \$3,000 and to Fund 17 account number 1702105E413-72180 (Inmate Welfare program, Small Equipment, Tools and Hardware account) in the amount of \$3,000 for the purchase of supplies for the Police Department's jail facility.

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to Penal Code section 4025, the City is obligated to deposit any funds received from a telephone company that are attributable to the use of pay telephones by incarcerated inmates into the Inmate Welfare Fund. The money deposited into this fund is to be expended primarily for the benefit, education, and welfare of inmates confined to the City's jail. Any that are funds not needed for the welfare of the inmates may be expended for the maintenance of the jail facility.

DISCUSSION

As part of the Police Department's efforts to recoup costs associated with operation of its jail facility, the City has contracted with a vendor to operate pay telephones in the jail facility and receives a monthly commission from telephone calls placed by inmates. These commissions are deposited into the City's Inmate Welfare Fund and are used to

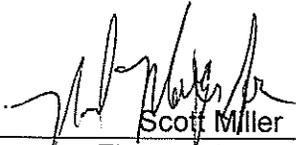
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purchase supplies and small equipment to benefit the inmates and to operate the jail facility.

The Police Department has identified the need to purchase microwave ovens, televisions, paper shredders, and typewriters for the jail facility.

FISCAL IMPACT

The costs for these supplies are estimated to be \$3,000 and will be made with funds from the Inmate Welfare Fund.



Scott Miller
Finance Approval



for David L. Snowden
Approved By