

**CITY OF BELLE ISLE, FLORIDA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

Meeting Date: September 9, 2026

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

From: Chief of Police Travis Grimm

Subject: Resolution 26-12 – Correction of Forfeiture Proceeds and Amendment to Resolution 26-07

Background:

On July 21, 2026, the City Council approved a motion authorizing the deposit of \$20,754.00 in contraband forfeiture proceeds into the Law Enforcement Trust Fund and appropriating the proceeds generally for authorized law enforcement training and equipment.

On August 20, 2026, the City Council adopted Resolution 26-07, formally establishing the Law Enforcement Trust Fund pursuant to Section 932.7055, Florida Statutes, confirming the authorization to deposit the forfeiture proceeds, and superseding the prior general expenditure authorization.

The Belle Isle Police Department previously reported to Council that \$40,754.00 in currency had been seized during a criminal investigation. During a subsequent review of the evidence and financial records, it was determined that the correct amount of currency seized was \$40,500.00.

Pursuant to the negotiated Settlement Agreement, \$20,000.00 of the seized currency was returned to the claimant. Based on the corrected seized amount, the remaining forfeiture proceeds total \$20,500.00, rather than the \$20,754.00 previously reported to the City Council.

Resolution 26-12 corrects the July 21, 2026 Council action to reflect the proper forfeiture proceeds of \$20,500.00, amends Resolution 26-07 to reflect the corrected amount, and authorizes deposit of \$20,500.00 into the Law Enforcement Trust Fund. All other provisions of Resolution 26-07 remain unchanged and in full force and effect.

Staff Recommendation and Council Discussion Points:

Approve Resolution No. 26-12, correcting the amount of forfeiture proceeds previously authorized for deposit into the Law Enforcement Trust Fund from \$20,754.00 to \$20,500.00 and amending Resolution No. 26-07 accordingly.

Discussion Points:

- On July 21, 2026, Council authorized the deposit of \$20,754.00 in forfeiture proceeds and generally appropriated those proceeds for authorized law enforcement training and equipment.

- Resolution No. 26-07 was subsequently adopted on August 20, 2026, formally establishing the Law Enforcement Trust Fund and superseding the prior general expenditure authorization.
- The amount previously reported to Council was based on a seized-currency total of \$40,754.00. A subsequent review of the evidence and financial records confirmed that the actual amount seized was \$40,500.00.
- Under the Settlement Agreement, \$20,000.00 was returned to the claimant, leaving the correct forfeiture balance of \$20,500.00.
- Resolution No. 26-12 corrects both the prior Council authorization and Resolution No. 26-07 to reflect the correct amount of \$20,500.00.

Suggested Motion:

“I move to approve Resolution No. 26-12, correcting the amount of forfeiture proceeds previously authorized for deposit into the Law Enforcement Trust Fund from \$20,754.00 to \$20,500.00, and amending Resolution No. 26-07 to reflect the corrected amount.”

Alternatives: N/A

Fiscal Impact:

Deposit of \$20,500.00 in forfeiture proceeds into the City's Law Enforcement Trust Fund. This represents a \$254.00 reduction from the amount previously authorized. No expenditure is authorized by this agenda item.

Attachments:

- Resolution No. 26-12 – Correction of Forfeiture Proceeds and Amendment to Resolution No. 26-07
- Resolution No. 26-07 – Establishment of the Law Enforcement Trust Fund
- Settlement Agreement.
- Section 932.7055, Florida Statutes.
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