

Use of Seizure Funds



• State Funds

- The City's arrangement with the District Attorney's Office regarding seizure and forfeiture is governed by Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes section 2-506.
- Funds not used by the state for specific things are to be maintained in a revolving fund in the office of the county treasurer where the property was seized.



- The DA can share these funds with municipalities
- We have an agreement with the DA to share the proceeds from the sale of any property seized by our agency.
- It states that District Attorneys are required to use these funds "solely for enforcement of controlled dangerous substances laws, drug abuse prevention, and drug abuse education."



• Federal Funds

- The use of federal funds falls under 21 U.S.C. section 881
- The distribution is based on an agency's participation in a case



- The DOJ has published information that asserts permissible uses of the funds, including
 - Law enforcement equipment
- Based on this, we believe it is permissible to use seizure funds to purchase law enforcement vehicles



- Seizure Fund Balances as of December 31, 2022.
 - State = \$1,274,296
 - Federal = \$247,429
 - Total Available = \$1,521,725



- Cost to purchase and outfit a police unit will be \$75,000
- To purchase 14 of the police vehicles on the fleet replacement list the cost would roughly be \$1,050,000.
- This could be included in the budget this year

Questions?