

**FORSYTH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**BRIEFING
DRAFT**

MEETING DATE: MAY 10, 2018

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER:

13 A+B

SUBJECT:

A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF ONE SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVESTIGATOR POSITION TO SERVE ON THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION (FBI) LOCAL TASK FORCES

B. AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 BUDGET ORDINANCE, SECTION 5, TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME POSITIONS IN THE FORSYTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

(FORSYTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS:

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

The local office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) currently has an available position on its new Anti-Drug Trafficking Task Force (ADTTF). The new ADTTF will work jointly with the FBI's Safe Streets Task Force (SSTF) to reduce drug trafficking and violent crime in Forsyth County and surrounding jurisdictions.

The Forsyth County Sheriff's Office is the only major law enforcement agency in the Piedmont Triad that does not have representation on the local FBI task forces and has been invited to fill this available position.

The current make-up of the local task forces is as follows:

- o Greensboro Police Department – 3 positions
- o Guilford County Sheriff's Office – 2 positions
- o High Point Police Department – 2 positions
- o Winston-Salem Police Department – 2 positions
- o Alamance County Sheriff's Office – 1 position
- o Eden Police Department – 1 position
- o Forsyth County Sheriff's Office – 0 positions

Joining the task forces provides another important tool for enhancing the safety of the citizens of Forsyth County, increasing investigations to detect, prosecute and deter terrorism activities that have effects both locally and globally, generating new FBI cases based on information obtained in Forsyth County, and increasing Federal asset forfeiture dollars to Forsyth County.

A.) The attached Resolution authorizes the addition of one investigator position to serve on the FBI task forces to be funded by available N.C. Controlled Substance Excise Tax proceeds to cover 100% of the cost for the first three (3) years. The estimated cost for year one, FY 2018-2019, is \$72,777.

B.) The purpose of this Budget Ordinance Amendment is to increase the number of authorized full-time positions in the Sheriff's Office by one (1).

ATTACHMENTS: YES NO

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

COUNTY MANAGER

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADDITION OF ONE SHERIFF'S OFFICE
INVESTIGATOR POSITION TO SERVE ON THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF
INVESTIGATION (FBI) LOCAL TASK FORCES
(FORSYTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE)**

WHEREAS, the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office is the only major law enforcement agency in the Piedmont Triad that does not have representation on the local Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Task Forces; and

WHEREAS, collaborating with other local law enforcement agencies and the FBI on the task forces will provide increased Federal Drug Forfeiture revenues for Forsyth County, as well as increased intelligence regarding violent organized crime and drug trafficking in Forsyth County; and

WHEREAS, participation in the joint FBI task forces will enhance the safety of the residents of Forsyth County; and

WHEREAS, the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office proposes funding 100% of the actual salary and fringe benefits of one full-time position using available North Carolina Controlled Substance Excise Tax proceeds for the first three (3) years, specifically 100% in year 1 (FY2019) at approximately \$72,777, 100% in year 2, 100% in year 3, and 0% in year 4, with the FBI covering all other operating expenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED that the Forsyth County Board of Commissioners hereby authorizes the addition of one full-time Sheriff's Office investigator position to serve on the joint local FBI task forces funded by available North Carolina Controlled Substance Excise Tax proceeds, specifically 100% in year 1 (FY2019), 100% in year 2, 100% in year 3, and 0% in year 4.

Adopted this 10th day of May 2018.

**FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
AMENDMENT TO
FY 2017-2018 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

FROM: BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

MEETING DATE: May 10, 2018

EXPLANATION:

Per the attached Resolution authorizing the addition of one full-time Sheriff's Office investigator position to serve on the FBI joint local task forces. The addition of this position would increase the number of authorized full-time positions from 539 to 540 and the number of authorized full-time sworn Law Enforcement positions would increase from 226 to 227.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT SECTION 5 OF THE FY 2017-2018 BUDGET ORDINANCE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 5. SHERIFF'S AND REGISTER OF DEEDS' EMPLOYEES. Pursuant to the provisions of N.C.G.S. 153A-103, the Sheriff and the Register of Deeds have the exclusive right to hire, discharge, and supervise the employees in their respective offices, subject to legal limitations, and each deputy appointed by the Sheriff and the Register of Deeds shall serve at the pleasure of the Sheriff and the Register of Deeds respectively; however, the Board of County Commissioners shall fix the number of employees in the offices of the Sheriff and the Register of Deed, subject to the Board's further authority to review the use and necessity of the Sheriff's and the Register of Deeds' vacant positions, in any manner, including but not limited to, the County's vacancy review process. **The total number of authorized full-time positions in the Sheriff's Office may not exceed 540 and the total number of authorized part-time positions in the Sheriff's Office may not exceed 22. Of the total authorized positions in the Sheriff's Office, the total number of authorized full-time sworn Law Enforcement positions in the Sheriff's Office may not exceed 227.** The total number of authorized full-time positions in the Register of Deeds Office may not exceed 20 and the total number of authorized part-time positions in the Register of Deeds may not exceed 1.

NATURE OF TRANSACTION:

- Additional Revenue Available
- Transfer within Accounts of Same fund
- Other:

APPROVED BY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND ENTERED ON MINUTES DATED _____ AGENDA ITEM NUMBER _____
