



North Bay Village Memorandum

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To: Angela Atkinson, Chief Financial Officer
From: Samuel Bejar, Deputy Chief of Police
Subject: Budget Amendment - CERF Funds (AEDs)

The Village has actively worked to mitigate the negative impacts of COVID-19 and help prevent its spread. Part and parcel of this effort is to increase our visibility, safety messaging, and availability as part of enhanced outreach and our prophylactic efforts in response to the coronavirus pandemic. There exists a strong body of evidence that suggests that an increased risk of adverse cardiac events is one of the negative and lingering side effects of being infected with COVID. It was determined that the acquisition of additional Automatic External Defibrillators (AED) and ancillary equipment to expand the capacity of our current AED fleet would have a significant impact upon maintaining and improving our levels of public safety service, and in our ongoing efforts to mitigate the deleterious effects of the COVID pandemic on our community.

In that vein, the North Bay Village Police Department applied to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement ("FDLE") for grant funding from the United States Department of Justice's Coronavirus Emergency Residual Funding ("CERF") program. The effort was successful and the Village was awarded funds, in part, for the purchase of five (5) AEDs and peripheral equipment (batteries, pads, etc.) in the amount of \$12,000.00.

The AED and ancillary equipment will be purchased pursuant to the authority of the Village Manager, and in compliance with Section 36.25(J) of the Village Code from our established vendor, Coro Medical - copy of quote attached - an entity which is S.A.M. and E-Verify compliant (proofs appended to this item).

Pursuant to the attached budget amendment, we are appropriating and transferring funds to pay for the above described Police Department Equipment by amending the FY 2021/22 Budget via an increase in Revenue GL Account 001-00-334-3340 (Grants) and Expenditures GL Account 001-21-521-8300 (Other Grants & Aids) in the amount of \$12,000.00.

The purchase of this equipment and the public safety benefits it affords is in the best interest and welfare of the residents of the Village.