

FORSYTH COUNTY

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING DATE: JANUARY 21, 2021

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER: 6

SUBJECT:

AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE TO APPROPRIATE PROCEEDS FROM STATE UNAUTHORIZED SUBSTANCES EXCISE TAX FUNDS (FORSYTH COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE)

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION OR COMMENTS: Receommend Approval

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:

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ATTACHMENTS: yes no

SIGNATURE: *J. Dudley Watts, Jr. /AMS*
COUNTY MANAGER

DATE: January 19, 2021

**FORSYTH COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA
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FY 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE**

FROM: BUDGET & MANAGEMENT

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**BE IT ORDAINED BY THE FORSYTH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THAT THE
FY 2020-2021 BUDGET ORDINANCE IS HEREBY AMENDED AS FOLLOWS:**

INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 1. REVENUES.</u>	
	LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUITABLE	
	DISTRIBUTION FUND	
	FUND BALANCE (992225)	<u>\$34,640.00</u>
INCREASE:	<u>SECTION 2. EXPENDITURES.</u>	
	GENERAL FUND	
	SHERIFF- SPECIAL RESPONSE TEAMS (150040)	<u>\$34,640.00</u>

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 _____
