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SUBJECT: CASH ACCOUNTS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT EQUIPMENT

EFFECTIVE DATE:

September 1, 2015

ACCREDITATION STANDARDS: 1.2.1, 1.6.1

BY THE ORDER OF:

Chief Patrick Shannon

BY AUTHORITY OF:

Police Director James Cosgrove

SUPERSEDES ORDER #:

PURPOSE: The purpose of this directive is to establish the policy and procedures concerning this agency's cash account management and agency-stored property.

POLICY: It is the policy of this agency to conduct its fiscal matters in comportment with applicable state law, specifically NJSA 40A:4-1 et seq.; and in compliance with the City of Elizabeth ordinances and related policies.

PROCEDURE:

I. Records Bureau Funds

- A. Records personnel shall maintain a cash fund to receive cash payments for fees that are paid to the police department.
- B. Records personnel shall not disperse cash, except for providing change.
- C. Records personnel shall maintain a ledger that identifies the initial balance, income received, disbursed, and the balance on hand.
- D. Records personnel shall issue a receipt for all cash funds received into the account.
- E. Records personnel may accept payments in cash or check.
- F. Accumulated funds shall be transferred to the City Finance Office within 48 business hours, consistent with 40A:5-15.
- G. The records fund shall be reviewed quarterly by the Services Lieutenant and a record of such review shall be submitted to the Chief of Police or designee. Particular attention shall be made to accounting for all deposits and an accurate balance at hand.

II. Maintenance of Stored Property

- A. All personnel will properly maintain agency owned and assigned property. Agency guidelines will be followed if an item requires repair, removal, and replacement. Those items not in immediate use will be maintained at an operational level. Inspection of these items will be the responsibility of the assignee and completed on a continual basis.
- B. Command and supervisory staff shall ensure that all stored items under their direct responsibility are available for use. All law enforcement related equipment will be maintained in an operational state and that responsibility of the maintenance of the equipment is vested with the person or position responsible for the equipment.