

**CITY COUNCIL
COMMUNICATION:**

03-407

AGENDA:

AUGUST 25, 2003

SUBJECT:

FEDERAL FORFEITED
FUNDS – ANNUAL
CERTIFICATION

TYPE:

RESOLUTION
ORDINANCE
RECEIVE/FILE

SUBMITTED BY:

WILLIAM MCCARTHY
CHIEF OF POLICE

ITEM 42

**OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
CITY OF DES MOINES, IOWA**

SYNOPSIS —

The “Federal Annual Certification Report” (FY03), which is related to the Police Department’s participation in sharing federal asset forfeiture funds, has been prepared for submission to the U.S. Dept. of Justice. Council approval is required to authorize the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign and submit the documents.

FISCAL IMPACT —

None.

RECOMMENDATION —

Approval.

BACKGROUND —

The Council’s previous actions on this matter in the last 3 years:

- September 09, 2002 by Roll Call No. 02-2174 Council authorized the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign and submit the “Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Fiscal Year 02 Annual Certification Report”.
- August 20, 2001 by Roll Call No. 01-2576 Council authorized the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign and submit the “Fiscal Year 01 Annual Certification Report”.
- August 07, 2000 by Roll Call No. 00-3346 Council authorized the Mayor and Chief of Police to sign and submit the “Fiscal Year 00 Annual Certification Report”.

The report verifies the City’s proper use of the federal asset forfeiture funds in accordance with the “Guide to Equitable Sharing of Federally Forfeited Property for State and Local Law Enforcement Agencies”. Equitable sharing of federally forfeited property requires funds to be used for activities calculated to enhance law enforcement. Funds shall not be used to replace or supplant the resources of the law enforcement agency.

