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AGENDA ITEM

To: Mayor & City Council

From: Chief of Police Rick Bashor

Date: February 3, 2014

Re: 2013 DOJ Equitable Sharing Agreement

Issue:

The ATF NITRO Task Force has successfully seized property and money during their investigations. The United States Attorney's Office has filed asset forfeiture proceedings against the seized property and money. A portion of these proceeds come back to the Cameron Police Department to be used to purchase law enforcement equipment.

Cameron is no longer designated as the pass through agency for the seized funds. The pass through agency is now the Grundy County, MO Sheriff's Department. Last year the Cameron Police Department continued to receive more seizure money. These funds were transferred to the Grundy County, MO Sheriff's Department to manage as the pass through agency.

The Asset Forfeiture Branch of the Department of Justice requires an annual report be submitted by participating agencies on the amount of money the department has received and how it has been spent.

Recommendation:

Approve on full reading the FY 2013 equitable sharing agreement with DOJ.

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AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI, TO ENTER INTO AN "EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATION" WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WHEREAS, the ATF NITRO Task Force has successfully seized property and money during their investigations. The United States Attorney's Office has filed asset forfeiture proceedings against the seized property and money. A portion of these proceeds come back to the Cameron Police Department to be used to purchase law enforcement equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Asset Forfeiture Branch of the Department of Justice requires an annual report be submitted by participating agencies on the amount of money the department has received and how it has been spent.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, CLINTON AND DeKALB COUNTIES, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Mayor is hereby authorized to sign the Equitable Sharing Agreement which is attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Section 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Section 3. This ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after the date of its passage and approval.

Read two times, passed and approved this 3rd day of February 2014.

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Mayor Dennis M. Clark

ATTEST:

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City Clerk/Finance Clerk

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