



Port St. Lucie Police Department

MEMORANDUM

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CHIEF OF POLICE

TO: Mayor, Vice Mayor, and Council Members

**VIA: Jesus Merejo
City Manager**

**FROM: Leo Niemczyk
Chief of Police**

DATE: January 21, 2026

SUBJECT: Expenditure of Forfeiture Funds: Cole Pro Media

The purpose of this memo is to request City Council to appropriate and expend forfeiture funds for FY 2526 in accordance with F.S.S. 932.7055.

The Port St. Lucie Police Department is requesting approval to expend the not-to-exceed amount of \$24,000 of forfeiture funds in accordance with F.S.S. 932.7055(5)a on a contract with Cole Pro Media Corp to provide services as a Transparency Engagement Advisor to the Port St. Lucie Police Department. This advisor will provide guidance on the best ways to handle difficult high-profile/critical incidents topics with the community with a focus on transparency in the area of news releases, social media posts, press questions, etc. This will be for a period of one year.

The above requests are not budgeted in the General Fund. As required by statute, I further certify that the expenditures and appropriation requested herein comply with the provisions of s.932.7055(5), Florida Statutes for other law enforcement purposes, which include providing additional equipment or expertise during critical incidents and defraying the associated costs thereof.

Should you require any further information or clarification, please feel free to contact me.

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