



City of North Port

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA, APPROVING A TEMPLATE FOR CONTRABAND FORFEITURE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida has the authority under the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act (Florida Statutes §§ 932.701 – 932.7062) to negotiate and enter into settlement agreements concerning forfeiture matters; and

WHEREAS, the North Port Police Department, pursuant to the Forfeiture Act, has the legal authority to seize and initiate forfeiture actions against property involved in unlawful activities; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has reviewed the Template for Contraband Forfeiture Settlement Agreement and finds that it is in compliance with applicable Florida State Statutes and the Code of the City of North Port; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida finds that the Template for Contraband Forfeiture Settlement Agreement and the acceptance of future settlement agreements serve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the City of North Port, Florida.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA:

SECTION 1 – INCORPORATION OF RECITALS

1.01 The above recitals are true and correct and are incorporated in this resolution by reference.

SECTION 2 – RESOLUTION APPROVING TEMPLATE FOR CONTRABAND FORFEITURE SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

2.01 The City Commission hereby approves the Template for Contraband Forfeiture Settlement Agreement attached as Exhibit A.

2.03 All identified exhibits are incorporated in this resolution by reference.

SECTION 3 – CONFLICTS

3.01 In the event of any conflict between the provisions of this resolution and any other resolution, in whole or in part, the provisions of this resolution will prevail to the extent of the conflict.

SECTION 4 – SEVERABILITY

4.01 If a court of competent jurisdiction finds that any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase, or provision of this resolution is for any reason invalid or unconstitutional, that provision will be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and will not affect the validity of the remaining portions of the resolution.

SECTION 5 – EFFECTIVE DATE

5.01 This resolution takes effect immediately.

ADOPTED by the City Commission of the City of North Port, Florida, in public session on _____, 202__.

CITY OF NORTH PORT, FLORIDA

PHIL STOKES
MAYOR

ATTEST

HEATHER FAUST, MMC
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS

MICHAEL GOLEN, CPM
INTERIM CITY ATTORNEY