

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

ITEM NO. C(9)

AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT

MEETING DATE: December 2, 2008

TITLE: A Request to Adopt a Budget Amendment

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| DEPARTMENT: Police Department | PUBLIC HEARING: NO |
| ATTACHMENTS: Attachment A: Budget Ordinance | FOR INFORMATION CONTACT: Carolyn Hutchison 918-7412 |

PURPOSE

A budget amendment is required to recognize the \$5,880 grant that will be awarded from the ABC Board for the Police Department to purchase equipment to be used when conducting investigations involving alcohol violations.

INFORMATION

The Orange County Alcoholic Beverage Control Board annually contracts with the Carrboro Police Department to augment ABC law enforcement efforts within the Town of Carrboro. The ABC Board has existing contracts with the Orange County Sheriff's Department and the Chapel Hill Police Department. The Board encourages collaboration among local law enforcement agencies as we all address quality of life issues within our jurisdictions, and this contract with the Town allows Carrboro Police Department officers the opportunity to participate fully on future joint ventures. To that end, the ABC Board recently solicited a funding proposal from CPD and we requested such funding for equipment to be used when conducting investigations involving alcohol violations. The ABC Board has agreed to fund our request. We plan to purchase the following items: computer software, a camera and recorder, and a portable breath testing device. We will also use part of the funding for overtime expenses associated with related special projects.

RECOMMENDATION

Approve the budget ordinance as requested.