

Agenda Report

TO:

CITY COUNCIL

DATE: April 6, 2009

THROUGH: PUBLIC SAFETY

FROM:

CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO

THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PASADENA UNIFIED

SCHOOL DISTRICT (PUSD).

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an addendum to the Memorandum Of Understanding between the City of Pasadena, Police Department and the Pasadena Unified School District.

BACKGROUND

The Police Department has been providing police services to the Pasadena Unified School District (PUSD) since a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was signed between the City and PUSD in August of 2006. The focus of these services has been to build relationships with students, faculty, and existing PUSD security officers in order to create and maintain a safe learning environment. This has been accomplished with the implementation of the Police Department's Safe Schools Team (SST).

With the initial emphasis of assigning the SST to high school campuses, the original MOU allowed for all PUSD campuses to receive police services from the Police Department. However, the SST members were not assigned to middle school or elementary school campuses, they merely responded to these schools on an as needed basis.

With the success of the SST on the PUSD high school campuses, an addendum MOU has been created to place an assigned SST member on the middle school campuses located within the city limits. The PUSD Board of Education approved this addendum to the original MOU on February 10, 2009.

The assignment of the SST officer to the middle school campuses does not increase the number of police officers assigned to this unit. A reorganization of the team has created a means to provide one officer to the middle school campuses 2-3 days per week. The onsite administrators of the middle schools have indicated their enthusiasm about the program.

FISCAL IMPACT

The proposed addendum will not result in additional expenditures as expansion to the middle schools will be based on a reorganization of existing resources.

Respectfully submitted,

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