

**MEMORANDUM – City of Pasadena
Police Department**

November 1, 2008

TO: Michael Beck
City Manager

FROM: Bernard K. Melekian
Chief of Police

RE: Middle School Policing Addendum

RECOMMENDATION:

This staff report is provided as an information item for City Council regarding creating an Addendum to the current Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Pasadena and Pasadena Unified School District. This Addendum would expand policing services to Washington and Wilson middle schools.

BACKGROUND:

The current MOU between the City of Pasadena and the Pasadena Unified School District was established on September 11th, 2006. This agreement provides policing services for Muir, Blair, Marshall, Rose City and Pasadena High Schools. The mission on high school campuses is to ensure a safe environment and enhance learning for all students. To achieve this goal, the Safe School Team utilizes the principles of community policing and fosters positive police-student relationships. Safe School Team officers presently interact with middle school students attending Marshall and Blair High Schools as well as students at Wilson, Washington, McKinley and Norma Coombs. These daily interactions with middle school students and staff occur during site visits at campuses, special events and when officers respond to calls for service.

This Addendum provides for the redeployment of one of the existing Safe School Team officers to Wilson and Washington, which currently are the only 6-8 grade middle schools in the City of Pasadena. It would also ensure that Safe School Team officers are available to respond to calls for service at Norma Coombs and McKinley K-8 schools, while continuing campus visits with school staff. The middle school policing proposal is intended to enhance the current level of service to PUSD and further the goal of establishing a safe and secure learning environment for all students.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Expansion of additional policing services to the Pasadena Unified School District will have no fiscal impact.

CC: All City Council Members
City Clerk

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