

Agenda Report

September 16, 2013

TO: CITY COUNCIL

THROUGH: PUBLIC SAFETY

FROM: CITY MANAGER

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PASADENA POLICE DEPARTMENT AND PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT (PUSD)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Find that the following proposed action is exempt from environmental review pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA"), pursuant to State CEQA Guidelines in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15301, (Existing Facilities); and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute 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 high school 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 was 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.

This MOU is to reaffirm and establish the current agreement between the City and the School District regarding police services and the evaluation of same on High School and Middle School campuses within the City of Pasadena.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT:

The implementation of the MOU with PUSD has been determined to be categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) in accordance with Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15301, (Existing Facilities) of the CEQA Guidelines. Section 15301 allows for the maintenance, repair, minor alteration, etc., of existing facilities that involves negligible or no expansion of use. The proposed MOU will not change the SST program.


FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact as a result of this action and will not have any indirect or support cost requirements. No impact to other operational programs or capital projects as a result of this action is anticipated. The proposed updated MOU will not result in additional expenditures.

Estimated annual fiscal commitment by the City of Pasadena (Pasadena Police Department) to sustain Safe School Team personnel and transportation: \$1,223,317

- Cost includes
 - 1 Lieutenant (.25 of time dedicated to Safe Schools Team) \$ 59,737
 - 1 Sergeant dedicated to the Safe Schools Team \$ 189,220
 - 6 Officers dedicated to Safe Schools Team \$ 866,822
 - Officers equipment (\$ 8,479 per officer) \$ 50,874
 - 6 Patrol cars dedicated to Safe Schools Team \$ 56,664
- Cost excludes
 - Mandatory annual training as prescribed by California Peace Officers Standards and Training
 - Knowledge and skill development training for officers assigned to schools

Respectfully submitted,




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