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two School Resource Officers at 100% of the actual officer's cost, a police sergeant at 10% of the actual sergeant's cost, plus administrative fees and the operation/maintenance costs of two patrol

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#### REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

August 28, 2014

FROM: JERRY P. DYER, Chief of Police

Fresno Police Department

BY: DEPUTY CHIEF SHARON SHAFFER

Support and Special Services Division

#### **SUBJECT**

Authorize the Chief of Police to enter into an agreement with Central Unified School District to provide two School Resource Officers at 100% of the actual officer's cost, a police sergeant at 10% of the actual sergeant's cost, plus administrative fees and the operation/maintenance costs of two patrol vehicles for a total of \$267,483

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that Council authorize the Chief of Police to enter into an agreement with Central Unified School District to provide two School Resource Officers (SROs), a police sergeant, and two patrol vehicles.

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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The Central Unified School District (CUSD) and the Police Department have had a continuous agreement for SRO services since 2007. The term of this agreement will be retroactive from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. CUSD will fund two officers at 100%, a police sergeant's position at 10%, plus administrative fees and the operations and maintenance of two patrol vehicles. The total cost is \$267,483. The remaining 90% of the police sergeant costs are paid by other contracted school districts.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The CUSD, in an effort to provide a safe learning environment for students attending district high schools and middle schools, has agreed to fund two SROs at 100% of the Police Department's actual rates from July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017. CUSD and the Police Department have had a continuous agreement since 2007.

The term of this agreement will be retroactive from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017. CUSD will fund \$260,467 for two officers, 10% for a police sergeant, plus \$350.00 for administrative fees and \$6,666 for the operations and maintenance of two patrol vehicles. The total cost is \$267,483. The remaining 90% of the police sergeant costs are paid by other contracted school districts.

The two SROs will perform regular duty law enforcement services. One SRO will be assigned to the District's high schools located at: 3535 N. Cornelia Ave., 11 S. Teilman, and 855 W. Nielsen, in Fresno. The other SRO is assigned to the three district middle schools located at: 4443 W. Weldon, 4055 N. Bryan Ave., and 6240 W. Palo Alto Ave., in Fresno.

Assignment is during the standard school year and normal hours of operation, subject to the availability of the SRO. For purposes of the attached agreement, "availability" shall be at the sole determination of the Chief of Police, or his/her designated representative, taking into consideration any factors including, without limitation, health of officer, shortage of staffing, funding, and duty assignment of officer(s) to higher priority matters. However, in specific instances of the SRO taking personal leave or FPD approved law enforcement training, another available police officer will be assigned temporarily at the schools during such leave or training.

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved as to form the proposed agreement.

The primary mission of the Fresno Police Department SROs is to improve the quality of life of students, parents, school employees, and related community members directly affected by the program. Specific desired outcomes of the program include:

- Reduction of criminal activity and fear on campus, and foster a positive relationship with the school community
- Handle calls-for- service for incidents that occur in and around designated campuses involving students and/or employees
- Identify school-related enforcement problems and develop solutions in a problem-solving manner
- Provide a coordinated team effort between the Fresno Police Department and CUSD
- A general improvement in the relationship between the Fresno Police Department and CUSD

This agreement between agencies will lead to the enhancement of collaborative problem solving and bolster the quality of life for the students, parents, and staff of the respective schools.

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## **ENVIRONMENTAL FINDINGS**

N/A

## **LOCAL PREFERENCE**

N/A

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The General Fund is not impacted. CUSD will fund 100% of the Fresno Police Department's operational costs for the period of July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017. Operational costs include the two police officers, a part-time sergeant, administrative fees, and two patrol vehicles.

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Attachment: (1) Agreement