



REPORT TO COUNCIL

City of Sacramento

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Consent
October 6, 2009

Honorable Mayor and
Members of the City Council

Title: School Resource Officer Agreement with Natomas Unified School District (NUSD)

Location/Council District: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a **Resolution** 1) authorizing the City Manager or designee to execute a one (1) year Agreement between the Sacramento Police Department and NUSD to provide funding for one and one-half (1.5) full-time equivalent School Resource Officers to be assigned to district campuses with marked police vehicles; with officer salary, benefits and vehicle maintenance and operational costs to be funded by NUSD during the term of the Agreement; and 2) authorizing the City Manager or designee to extend the Agreement with NUSD for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties with a total not to exceed amount of \$493,000.

Contact: Dan Schiele, Captain, 277-6150

Presenters: Not applicable

Department: Police

Division: OOO

Department ID: 11001161

Description/Analysis

Issue: The Sacramento Police Department (SPD) is requesting City Council approval to enter into a new agreement with NUSD to assign Police Officers as School Resource Officers at school campuses. On August 23, 2005, the City Council approved a resolution authorizing an agreement with NUSD to continue the School Resource Officer Program. That agreement recently expired and a new agreement with NUSD has been negotiated and now requires City Council approval. The new agreement provides for assignment of one and one-half (1.5) full-time equivalent Police Officers, a reduction of one half (0.5) FTE from the staffing established by the expired agreement. NUSD will fully fund the costs associated the assignment of these officers during the school year, including

vehicle maintenance and operational costs. The City Council's approval will provide for the continuation of the School Resource Officer Program that has proven to be an effective method of providing for the safety and security of students and faculty at District campuses.

Policy Considerations:

Approving the new agreement with NUSD is consistent with the action taken by the City Council in 2005 and with the City's on-going commitment to and policy addressing student safety at public school campuses.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): This action is not subject to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) because it does not constitute a "project" as defined in section 15378 of the CEQA Guidelines, and is otherwise exempt pursuant to section 15061(b)(3) (no significant effect on the environment) of the CEQA Guidelines.

Sustainability Considerations: Not applicable

Commission/Committee Action: Not applicable

Other: Not applicable

Rationale for Recommendation: The School Resource Officer Program enhances the Sacramento Police Department's ability to provide effective public safety and security by physically assigning Police Officers to provide law enforcement services on City school campuses. In doing so, the Police Officer is able to forge relationships with students, faculty and administrators that facilitate early intervention into problems on campus and crime prevention. Moreover, these Officers provide a direct connection between the schools and the full capabilities of the Department's specialty units in responding to and investigating crimes that occur on campus.

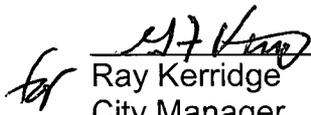
Financial Considerations: The salary, benefits and vehicle costs associated with the School Resource Officer Program are fully funded by NUSD during the school year. The revenue generated from the one year term of the agreement is approximately \$162,000; this approximate amount was offset against the Police Department's General Fund operating budget for FY2009/10. If the agreement is extended for two additional years, the total revenue is approximately \$493,000. During the summer school recess, the Police Officers are reassigned to perform patrol and other law enforcement responsibilities.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): Not applicable

Respectfully Submitted by: 
Dan Schiele, Police Captain

Approved by: 
Rick Braziel, Chief of Police

Recommendation Approved:



Ray Kerridge
City Manager

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Background

The Sacramento Police Department has assigned full-time Police Officers to serve as School Resource Officers at local school campuses for several years. The officers afford an important, visible and effective presence at school campuses and work to further the Department's interests in providing for the public's safety and security.

School Resource Officers are able to establish and develop relationships with students, faculty, administrators and member of the neighborhoods surrounding school campuses. The officers' direct day-to-day contacts facilitate their effectiveness in preventing crime and addressing problems proactively. Moreover, these officers provide a direct connection between the schools and the full capabilities of the Department's specialty units in responding to and investigating crimes that occur on campus. They also serve as first responders to emergencies and provide a direct communications link for emergency services. During the summer recess when school is not in session, the officers are reassigned to perform patrol or other law enforcement responsibilities within the Department. The costs paid for by NUSD are for police services that occur during the school year only.

In 2005, the City Council authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement NUSD to continue the School Resource Officer Program. That agreement expired on June 30, 2009. NUSD has requested that a new agreement be established to continue the School Resource Officer Program. Certain provisions of the agreement have been recently negotiated and new costs have been calculated to reflect changes in salary, benefits and vehicle costs. NUSD will fully fund the costs of assigning officers to their school campuses and has requested a one half (0.5) FTE reduction in the School Resource Officer staffing level reflective of their budget capabilities and security needs.

The City Council's approval of the resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a new agreement with NUSD will continue the School Resource Officer Program that has proven to be an effective method of providing for the safety and security of students and faculty at District campuses.

RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

School Resource Officer Agreement with Natomas Unified School District (NUSD)

BACKGROUND

- A. The Sacramento Police Department has assigned full-time Police Officers to serve as School Resource Officers at local school campuses for several years. The officers afford an important, visible and effective presence at school campuses and work to further the Department's interests in providing for the public's safety and security. The School Resource Officer Program agreement with NUSD expired on June 30, 2009.

- B. A new agreement with NUSD has been negotiated. The agreement provides for a one (1) year term with two additional one (1) year extensions. The salary, benefits and vehicle costs associated with the School Resource Officer Program are fully funded by NUSD.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

- Section 1. The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute a one (1) year Agreement with NUSD to provide one and one-half (1.5) full-time equivalent School Resource Officers to be assigned to district campuses with marked police vehicles; with officer salary, benefits and vehicle maintenance and operational costs to be funded by NUSD during the term of the Agreement;

- Section 2. The City Manager or designee is authorized to extend the agreement with NUSD for up to two (2) additional one (1) year periods upon mutual agreement of the parties.