#23-0497

**TO**: Honorable Mayor & Members of the

Fort Lauderdale City Commission

**FROM**: Greg Chavarria, City Manager

**DATE**: May 16, 2023

**TITLE**: Motion Approving a One-Year Agreement with the School Board of Broward

County, Florida for School Resource Officer Program - (Commission

**Districts 1, 2, 3 and 4)** 

#### **Recommendation**

Staff recommends the City Commission authorize the Mayor and City Manager to execute a one-year agreement with the School Board of Broward County (SBBC), Florida for the School Resource Officer Program commencing August 16, 2022 and concluding on June 8, 2023. The Agreement will reimburse the City for services already provided and through the rest of the 2022-23 school year.

#### **Background**

The SBBC has established a School Resource Officer Program in accordance with the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act. The Fort Lauderdale Police Department assigns 10 law enforcement officers to serve as School Resource Officers at nine schools operated by the SBBC. Fort Lauderdale Police Department officers are assigned full-time on the campuses of New River Middle, Sunrise Middle, William Dandy Middle, Fort Lauderdale High, Sheridan Technical, Stranahan High, Seagull Alternative, Whiddon-Rogers Education Center, and two officers are assigned to Dillard Middle/High. The SBBC will contribute \$103,000 per officer for a total amount of \$1,030,000 for the 2022-23 school year. The SBBC reimburses the same amount per officer to all participating Broward County law enforcement agencies.

### **Resource Impact**

There will be an FY23 fiscal impact to the City in the amount of \$187,153. This amount represents \$1,217,153 in City salary and benefit expenses for the officers less \$1,030,000 in revenue from the Broward County School Board. Funding is available as depicted in the chart below.

# Funds available as of May 9, 2023

ACCOUNT NUMBER	PROJECT NAME (Program)	CHARACTER /ACCOUNT NAME	AMENDED BUDGET (Character)	AVAILABLE BUDGET (Character)	PURCHASE AMOUNT
10-001-5043- 521-10-1101	School Resource Officers	Salaries & Wages/ Permanent Salaries	\$778,605	\$278.552	\$187,153
			PURCHASE TOTAL ►		\$187,153

# **Strategic Connections**

This item is a 2022 Commission Priority, advancing the Community Response and Safety initiative.

This item supports the *Press Play Fort Lauderdale 2024* Strategic Plan, specifically advancing:

- The Public Safety Focus Area
- Goal 6: Build a safe and well-prepared community.
- Objective: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

This item advances the Fast Forward Fort Lauderdale 2035 Vision Plan: We Are Community.

# **Attachment**

Exhibit 1 – 2022-2023 School Resource Officer (SRO) Program Agreement

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