



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
City Commission Agenda Memo
REGULAR MEETING

#15-0986

TO: Honorable Mayor & Members of the
Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Lee R. Feldman, ICMA-CM, City Manager

DATE: October 6, 2015

TITLE: Motion to Approve One-Year Agreement with the School Board of
Broward County, Florida for School Resource Officer Program

Recommendation

It is recommended that 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 October 1, 2015 and concluding on September 30, 2016.

Background

The City of Fort Lauderdale Police Department's School Resource Officer (SRO) Program assigns eight law enforcement officers to serve as School Resource Officers at seven secondary 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, Dillard High, Fort Lauderdale High, Stranahan High and Whiddon Rogers. The SBBC contributes \$46,252.00 per officer for a total amount of \$370,016.00 per school year. This reimbursement to the City provides for a significant offset to the City's School Resource Officer Program. The SBBC reimburses the same amount per officer to all participating Broward County law enforcement agencies.

Section 2.03 of the agreement provides, in part, that, at the discretion of the Police Chief, the SRO may be assigned to patrol the neighborhoods surrounding their assigned school to address school security, truancy and juvenile delinquency issues. The language is identical to the FY 15 agreement; however, as this time the School Board does not want to include that provision.

Currently the SROs are in Broward County Schools without an agreement.

Resource Impact

There will be no current fiscal year impact to the City. There will be a fiscal impact to the City in the amount \$913,721 for Fiscal Year 2016 from POL030201-1101 (Patrol - Salaries) and POL050301-1101 (Police Confiscated Property (State) - Salaries).

Strategic Connections

This item is a *Press Play Fort Lauderdale Strategic Plan 2018* initiative, included within the Public Safety Cylinders of Excellence, specifically advancing:

- Goal 9: Be the safest urban coastal City in South Florida through preventative and responsive police and fire protection.
- Objective 1: Prevent and solve crime in all neighborhoods.

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

Attachment

Exhibit 1 – School Resource Officer Agreement

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