



Legislation Text

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To: Board of County Commissioners

Through: Tyler S. Brown, Sheriff

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Subject:

Intergovernmental Agreement with the Cherry Creek Academy, a public charter school for a School Resource Officer

Purpose and Request:

Request the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) to sign the renewal Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) to continue to provide a deputy sheriff to the Cherry Creek Academy (CCA) to act as a School Resource Officer (SRO).

Background and Discussion: The Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office School Resource Officer Unit will work closely with and assign a School Resource Officer to handle criminal complaints, conduct follow up investigations and enforce traffic laws within schools in the school district and surrounding community. School Resource Officers also attend numerous school functions such as PTO meetings and sporting activities. Deputies provide classroom instruction on substance abuse, law-related education and participate in community-related work groups for youth issues, such as truancy. A SRO has been assigned to CCA since January of 2019. The Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office is a CALEA accredited agency. CALEA accreditation standards require a written agreement governing law enforcement services provided to the School District by the Sheriff's Office. The SRO Unit operates based on National Association of School Resource Officers (NASRO) standards, which are also reflected in the IGA. The IGA specifies the role of the SRO in the CCA, expectations and requirements for the County, Sheriff's Office and CCA. CCA has agreed to reimburse the Sheriff's Office for half of the cost of the current salary and benefits for the deputy sheriff assigned as a School Resource Officer within the District. .

Alternatives: The alternative is to not renew the IGA to receive the reimbursement for the SROs as articulated above.

Fiscal Impact: The Sheriff's Office will invoice the Cherry Creek Academy twice yearly for half the cost of the current salary and benefits for a deputy sheriff assigned as School Resource Officer within the District.

Alignment with Strategic Plan:

- ☐ Be fiscally sustainable
- ☒ Provide essential and mandated service
- ☐ Be community focused

Concurrence: Staff recommends the adoption of the plan.

Resolution: Attach a copy of the draft resolution.