

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Danny Barton, Chief of Police

Date: August 26, 2025

Reference: Consider approval of an Interlocal Agreement, with Coppell ISD, providing for School

Resource Officers, on campuses within the City of Coppell; and authorizing the Mayor

to sign.

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Introduction:

The purpose of this agenda item is to formalize the provision of School Resource Officers on each of the ISD campuses within the geographic city limits of Coppell. The City of Coppell has agreed to incur all costs associated to the SRO Program for the 2025/2026 school year.

Background:

The City of Coppell has provided School Resource Officers in various capacities for several decades to select CISD campuses within the City of Coppell. Prior to September 1, 2023, Coppell PD provided 6 SROs to the high school campuses, the ninth-grade campus, and Middle School North and East. The costs of these SROs were shared with the ISD on 50 percent basis.

In 2023, the Texas Legislature passed House Bill 3, which mandated an armed person on every campus within Texas. The City of Coppell agreed to provide 8 additional police officers to cover elementary schools. This agreement is dependent upon operational staffing for the Coppell Police Department.

Benefit to the Community:

Maintaining a safe learning environment on school campuses is a priority of the community.

Legal Review:

The City Attorney drafted and reviewed the Interlocal Agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

The City of Coppell has budgeted for 14 SROs, including one Sergeant, out of Crime Control Prevention District fund in the amount of \$1,572,288.00 for the academic year.

Recommendation:The Coppell Police Department recommends approval of the interlocal agreement.