

MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Danny Barton, Chief of Police

Date: August 11, 2020

Reference: Consider a Resolution of the City of Coppell authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with

the Coppell Independent School District (CISD) for School Resource Officer (SRO) protection services for the school year 2020-2021; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

Introduction: The Coppell Police Department School Resource Program has been assisting the Coppell independent School District for over two decades. The partnership between the City of Coppell and the Coppell Independent School District has been and continues to be a strong collaboration. This resolution calls for an interlocal agreement between the two entities and introduces a cost sharing agreement in which the Coppell Independent School District will compensate the City of Coppell for half of the School Resource Officer Program on an annual basis. This Interlocal Agreement was discussed during work session on May 12, 2020. Discussions have taken place between the City Council and the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees.

Background: The partnership between the Coppell Police Departments School Resource Officer Program and the Coppell Independent School District has been unique in its historic arrangements. The City of Coppell has provided and provided full compensation to several school resource officers to various campuses within the City of Coppell. This is an unusual partnership. This new Interlocal Agreement provides a 50 percent cost sharing between the Coppell Independent School District and the City of Coppell. The costs include the school resource officer's compensation and benefits. The cost sharing will only occur during the school year, unless CISD requests school resource officers during the summer break.

Legal: Bob Hager drafted the Interlocal Agreement and that Agreement has been forwarded to the Coppell Independent School District.

Fiscal Impact: This agreement would reduce Crime Prevention District (SRO Program) expenditures by approximately \$331,875.00 and General Fund (Crossing Guard Program) expenditures by approximately \$62,000.00.