

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: DECEMBER 10, 2024

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF SAN DIEGO POLICE DEPARTMENT INTERNET

CRIMES AGAINST CHILDREN TASK FORCE FOR A TERM FROM JANUARY 1, 2024, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028, AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$120,000 TO REIMBURSE CITY OF RIVERSIDE FOR APPROVED EXPENDITURES - SUPPLEMENTAL

APPROPRIATION

ISSUES:

Approve the Agreement with the City of San Diego Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for a term from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028, and authorize a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$120,000 to reimburse the City of Riverside for approved expenditures.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

- 1. Approve the Agreement with the City of San Diego Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force for a term from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028;
- 2. With at least five affirmative votes, authorize the Chief Financial Officer, or designee, to record an increase revenue and a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$120,000, or in the amount of the grant award, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, ICAC 2025 program revenue and expenditure accounts; and
- 3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Agreement with the City of San Diego Police Department Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force, including the ability to make minor and non-substantive changes.

BACKGROUND:

The Sexual Assault and Child Abuse (SACA) unit noticed an increase in Internet crimes against children and has requested increased training and resources to adequately investigate these crimes. Partnering with the federal government and local law enforcement agencies can help to

address these challenges. Therefore, in 2020 the Riverside Police Department (RPD) began partnering with the San Diego Police Department.

The San Diego Police Department is the recipient of federal and state grant funds from the United States Department of Justice, Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention and the California Governor's Office of Emergency Management. The San Diego Police Department uses these grant funds to administer and operate the Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force. The purpose of the task force is to:

- 1. Investigate and prosecute those who sexually exploit children through the use of the Internet and/or computers.
- 2. Provide training and equipment to those involved in investigating and prosecuting ICAC.
- 3. Provide community education regarding the prevention of ICAC related crimes.

On May 5, 2020, the City Council approved an agreement with the City of San Diego Police Department ICAC Task Force and authorized a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$121,000 to reimburse the City of Riverside for approved expenditures for the first year of the contract.

Additional and similar appropriations were approved by City Council in subsequent years for the term of the agreement.

DISCUSSION:

The Riverside Police Department (RPD) would like to renew our participation in the Internet Crimes against Children (ICAC) Task Force by executing an agreement with the City of San Diego Police Department for the term of January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028. RPD actively investigates Internet crimes, however, participation in the ICAC task force increases the flow of intelligence amongst the various law enforcement agencies in the region, ensuring a well-coordinated law enforcement effort.

By participating in the ICAC task force, RPD will receive funding of up to \$100,000 in salary reimbursement, up to \$15,000 in overtime reimbursement and up to \$5,000 in training reimbursement for hours and training associated with the ICAC Task Force each calendar year upon availability of funds. Additionally, RPD is granted access to the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Regional Computer Forensics Lab to support digital investigations and analysis efforts techniques.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to Strategic Priority No. 2 Community Well-Being and Goal number No. 2.4 – Support programs and innovations that enhance community safety, encourage neighborhood engagement, and build public trust.

This item aligns with EACH of the five Cross-Cutting Threads as follows:

1. Community Trust – The Riverside Police Department is dedicated to improving quality of

life by creating a safe environment for the people it serves. RPD's ability to partner with local agencies serves to benefit the public safety of the City's children and results in the greater public good.

- 2. Equity RPD provides public safety services to all residents in the City of Riverside. The partnership between RPD and other law enforcement agencies help provide equitable distribution of public safety services.
- **3. Fiscal Responsibility** RPD's participation in the task forces provides reimbursement for partnership opportunity and reduces the burden on the General Fund.
- **4. Innovation** RPD must constantly change and adapt to meet the changing technological environment. These partnerships provide the Department with additional resources and funding to achieve this goal.
- **5. Sustainability & Resiliency** The reimbursement from this program allows RPD to meet the needs of the present without compromising the needs of the future and ensures the City's capacity to preserves, adapt and grow.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The total fiscal impact of this action is an increase in revenue and expenditures of \$120,000. Upon City Council approval, an increase will be recorded in revenue and appropriations in the amount of \$120,000, or in the amount of the grant award, in the Grants and Restricted Programs Fund, ICAC 2025 Program revenue and expenditure accounts listed in the table below.

The initial supplemental appropriation for participation in the San Diego Internet Crimes against Children Task Force is \$120,000 for year one of the Agreement. Supplemental appropriations for similar amounts are expected each year for the term of the agreement, which is January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2028, upon the availability of funds.

Fund	Program	Account	Amount
Revenue			
Grants & Restricted Programs	Police Department - ICAC 2025	9182300-331100	\$120,000
Expenditures			
Grants & Restricted Programs	ICAC 2025 - Salary	9182300-411500	\$100,000
	ICAC 2025 - Overtime	9182300-411501	\$15,000
	ICAC 2025 - Training Costs	9182300-426800	\$5,000
Total Expenditures			\$120,000

Appropriations for funding in future years will be brought to City Council with the annual task force appropriations.

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Certified as to

availability of funds: Kristie Thomas, Finance Director/Assistant Chief Financial Officer

Approved by: Mike Futrell, City Manager Approved as to form: Jack Liu, Interim City Attorney

Attachment: Agreement Between the City of San Diego Police Department Internet Crimes

Against Children Task Force and the Riverside Police Department