



City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: JUNE 18, 2019**

FROM: GENERAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT **WARDS: ALL**

SUBJECT: MEASURE Z - REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR AN INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT TO EVALUATE CURRENT AND FUTURE POLICING NEEDS OF THE CITY AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS IN LOCATING A NEW POLICE HEADQUARTERS

ISSUE:

Approve the issuance of a Request for Proposals to evaluate current and future policing needs of the City and provide recommendations in locating a new police headquarters.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council approve the issuance of a Request for Proposals to evaluate current and future policing needs of the City and provide recommendations in locating a police headquarters.

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:

The Public Safety Committee (Committee) met on May 15, 2019, with Chair Perry and Member Adams present, to consider issuance of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to evaluate current and future policing needs of the City and provide recommendations in locating a new police headquarters. After discussion, the Committee unanimously voted to recommend that the City Council approve the issuance of a Request for Proposals for an independent consultant to evaluate current and future policing needs of the City and provide recommendations in locating a new police headquarters.

BACKGROUND:

The Measure Z Spending Plan updated in November 2018 includes \$13,083,908 towards the construction of a New Police Headquarters, estimated at \$35,000,000.

DISCUSSION:

Trends in policing are always evolving. Retaining a consultant that specializes in providing governmental agencies with recommendations in effective policing will provide the City with valuable information in meeting the public safety needs of the community and in locating a new

police headquarters.

The City has experienced significant growth over the past nine years growing from a population of 303,871 to an estimated 324,727 making Riverside the 12th most populous city in California. The population density is nearly 4,000 people per square mile, with residents 18 years of age and under making up 25% of the population and those in the age range 25-44 making up 27% of the population. Over the past ten years, the population has grown at a rate of around 1%, and is expected to continue near the same rate over the next few years. The City has 28 designated neighborhoods and a total area of approximately 81.5 square miles.

Due to evolving trends in policing, actual Riverside Police Department (RPD) data, and other considerations, staff is recommending that an RFP seeking a policing consulting firm with significant experience in successfully providing, federal, state and municipal policing agencies with guidance in developing strategic plans to meet current and future policing needs be issued. The selected consulting firm will work with the General Services Department, RPD Administration and City staff to develop a plan considering the current policing needs of the City and trends for policing into the future.

The City is also exploring various options for developing a new police headquarters within the city that optimizes operational services to the community. The RPD's current headquarters is located at 4102 Orange Street, a two-story building that also has a basement level with approximately 30,000 square feet in use. The consulting firm will be tasked with analyzing current policing operations, services levels and future trends to recommend potential locations for the new police headquarters.

The Police Chief concurs with this report.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There are no fiscal impacts associated with issuing a Request for Proposals. The fiscal impact for selecting a consultant for this project is estimated to not exceed \$50,000. Sufficient funding is available in the Measure Z budget for the Police Headquarters Site.

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Concurs with:



Jim Perry, Chair
Public Safety Committee

Attachments: Request for Proposals