



City of Arts & Innovation

City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL **DATE: APRIL 9, 2019**
FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT **WARD: ALL**
SUBJECT: OFFER OF A \$10,000 REWARD FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO THE IDENTIFICATION AND APPREHENSION OF PERSON(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATTEMPTED MURDER OF IZAAC COLUNGA

ISSUE:

Adopt a resolution offering a reward in the amount of \$10,000 for information that leads to the identification and apprehension of the person or persons responsible for the attempted murder of Izaac Colunga, Police Department case 190006841, for a duration of 60 days.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

That the City Council:

1. Adopt a resolution offering a reward in the amount of \$10,000 for information that leads to the identification and apprehension of the person or persons responsible for the attempted murder of Izaac Colunga, Police Department case 190006841, for a duration of 60 days.
2. Approve the transfer of funds from the General Fund Contingency Reserve Account in the amount of \$10,000 to the Police Department's Riverside Reward Program (Account No. 3100000-459026).

BACKGROUND:

On March 3, 2019, at approximately 0011 hours, a shooting took place at a residence located in the 6400 block of Nidever Avenue in the city of Riverside. Riverside Police Department officers were called and responded to the location along with EMS personnel. Upon officers' arrival, they located Izaac Colunga, who had suffered a gunshot wound to his neck. The victim was critically injured and suffered likely permanent paralysis from his neck down.

Witnesses described a vehicle leaving the area, but investigation conducted so far has developed few leads. A press release was sent out on the morning of the incident and local media covered the story, but no one has called with information as of this writing.

Detectives believe that there may be witnesses or people with information related to this crime

who have yet to come forward.

DISCUSSION:

In May of 2001, the “Riverside Reward Program,” was approved by the City Council. Guidelines for offering rewards are listed in Section 364 of the Riverside Police Department Policy Manual.

Detectives believe that offering a significant reward in the amount of \$10,000 may entice one or more witnesses to come forward with information that would help detectives in the identification and apprehension of the person or persons involved in this attempted murder.

The attached resolution approves the \$10,000 offer of reward that will expire 60 days after the date of City Council’s approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of the recommended action is \$10,000. Upon City Council, sufficient funds in the amount of \$10,000 will be transferred from the General Fund Contingency Reserve Account to the Police Department’s Riverside Reward Program, Account No. 3100000-459026.

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Attachment:	Resolution
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