



*City of Arts & Innovation*

# City Council Memorandum

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: OCTOBER 22, 2019

FROM: POLICE DEPARTMENT WARDS: ALL

SUBJECT: FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION INLAND EMPIRE SAFE STREETS TASK FORCE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND COST REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT FOR JOINT INTERAGENCY COOPERATION IN CERTAIN GANG ENFORCEMENT ACTIONS AND FOR OTHER CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,343.75 TO REIMBURSE CITY OF RIVERSIDE FOR APPROVED OVERTIME EXPENSES - SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

## **ISSUES:**

Approve the Federal Bureau of Investigation Inland Empire Safe Streets Task Force Memorandum of Understanding and Cost Reimbursement Agreement for joint interagency cooperation in certain gang enforcement actions and for other criminal investigations in the amount of \$18,343.75 to reimburse the City of Riverside for approved overtime expenses and authorize a supplemental appropriation in the same amount as the reimbursement.

## **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

That the City Council:

1. Approve the Federal Bureau of Investigation Inland Empire Safe Streets Task Force Memorandum of Understanding and Cost Reimbursement Agreement, between the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Inland Empire Safe Streets Task Force and the City of Riverside, California by and through its Police Department, for joint interagency cooperation in certain gang enforcement actions and for other criminal investigations in the amount of \$18,343.75 to reimburse the City of Riverside for approved overtime expenses;
2. Authorize a supplemental appropriation in the estimated amount of \$18,343.75 to the Police Departments Grants and Restricted Programs revenue account and increase appropriations in the same amount to the Police Departments Grants and Special Programs expenditure account for approved overtime expenses;
3. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Memorandum of Understanding and the Cost Reimbursement Agreement, including the ability to make minor and non-substantive changes.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Criminal gang investigations require an ever-increasing expertise and resource allocation in order to combat activity that typically transcends city, county, and state lines. This can challenge a police department that has reduced budgets and lower staffing levels. Collaborating with the federal government and other local law enforcement agencies can help meet these challenges.

## **DISCUSSION:**

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) has created a unit called the Inland Empire Safe Streets Task Force (IESSTF) with local law enforcement agencies to combat gang activity. The task force and the RPD would like to formalize collaborative efforts with a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The MOU provides general information of the cooperative effort of both agencies to identify and prosecute criminal enterprise groups responsible for drug trafficking, money laundering, alien smuggling, crimes of violence such as murder and aggravated assault, robbery, and violent street gangs. In addition, the MOU provides for reimbursement of approved overtime salary costs.

## **FISCAL IMPACT:**

The RPD will receive reimbursement for up to \$18,343.75 for overtime expenses related to investigations performed in regards to this MOU. The reimbursement amount is on a Federal Fiscal year for the term October 1, 2019 – September 30, 2020 and is equivalent to 25% of the annual salary of a GS-1811-12 step 1 federal employee. In addition, any asset forfeitures attributable to investigations made by the task force will be equitably shared according to the federal law and rules governing asset forfeitures.

Upon Approval, a supplemental appropriation will be made in the estimated amount of \$18,343.75 to revenue account 9167300681-33110000 and an increase will be made to appropriations in the same amount to expenditure account 9167300681-44011000 for approved overtime expenses;

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## **Attachment:**

1. Federal Bureau of Investigation Inland Empire Safe Streets Task Force Memorandum of Understanding and Cost Reimbursement Agreement
2. Federal Bureau of Investigation Inland Empire Safe Streets Gang Task Force Cost Reimbursement Agreement