



COBURG CITY COUNCIL ACTION/ISSUE ITEM

TOPIC: Intergovernmental Agreement with City of Harrisburg to Provide Law Enforcement Services

Meeting Date: January 12, 2021
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REQUESTED COUNCIL ACTION

Suggested Action: I move we approve the City Administrator and the Chief of Police to negotiate and sign the renewal of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Harrisburg to Provide Law Enforcement Services.

CITY COUNCIL GOAL (S):

Fiscal responsibility

BACKGROUND

In September, 2019, the Council approved an IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) with the City of Harrisburg to provide Police services. At that time the contract reflected a pilot program in which both agencies agreed to test an inter-agency agreement, and to see how successful it would be.

The Chief of Police and the City Administrator met with Harrisburg officials in late December. At that meeting, Harrisburg representatives expressed great pleasure in how the program is working and feel it has been very successful. They expressed a hope to expand the program for 10 more hours with a focus on ordinance enforcement.

The program as it stands is for 25 hours per month at \$51.00.

The \$51.00 was reached at combining the chargeable rates of all officers including reserves. We then averaged it to one chargeable rate. This decision was based on the intention that there would be some full-time officer patrols, but the majority would be reserve officers.

After the first year in the contract we have found that more full-time officer hours, as well

as the Chiefs time was spent in Harrisburg. This is due to the lack of availability of the reserve officers, as well as the Chief spending time monitoring and reporting to Harrisburg on the program.

The Chief and City Administrator have agreed to use the same computation while including the Chief's salary. This new chargeable rate is \$64.00 per hour which is the dollar figure we have given Harrisburg for the new contract year. Harrisburg is reviewing this within a work session with their Council and will also be bringing the IGA to their council for approval in the coming weeks.

RECOMMENDATION AND ALTERNATIVES

Staff recommends that the Council approve the City Administrator and Chief to negotiate and sign the renewal of the IGA with Harrisburg.

The alternative is to not approve moving forward, the contract will expire, and we will no longer provide police services to Harrisburg.

BUDGET / FINANCIAL IMPACT

The budget impact would be influenced by both the revenues and expenses of providing these services.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

None at this time

NEXT STEPS

1. Receive feedback from Harrisburg regarding the pricing and changes to the contract
 2. Agree upon a final contract
 3. Signature of both agencies to move forward.
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ATTACHMENTS

None

REVIEWED THROUGH:

Anne Heath, City Administrator
