



**City of Grass Valley  
City Council  
Agenda Action Sheet**

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**Title:** Consideration of a School Resource Officer Agreement with the Grass Valley School District

**CEQA:** Not CEQA

**Recommendation:** Approve the Agreement between the City of Grass Valley and the Grass Valley School District to provide School Resource Officer services for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2029.

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**Prepared by:** Steve Johnson, Deputy Chief of Police

**Council Meeting Date:** 07/14/2026

**Date Prepared:** 07/09/2026

**Agenda:** Consent

**Background Information:** Since 2022, the City of Grass Valley and the Grass Valley School District (GVSD) have partnered to provide School Resource Officer (SRO) services to district campuses located within the City. The original three-year agreement was approved by the City Council on July 26, 2022, as a pilot program to enhance campus safety, strengthen relationships between law enforcement and students, and provide a dedicated public safety resource for the District.

The partnership has proven successful in improving communication between the Police Department and District administration, providing immediate law enforcement response to campus safety issues, supporting crime prevention efforts, and serving as a valuable resource to students, parents, faculty, and staff.

The proposed agreement continues the partnership for an additional three-year term beginning July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2029. The responsibilities of the School Resource Officer remain substantially unchanged and continue to emphasize school safety, crime prevention, student engagement, emergency preparedness, and collaborative problem-solving with District staff.

The proposed agreement includes two significant modifications:

- The School Resource Officer assignment will increase from approximately **50% to 65%** of an officer's assigned work time, allowing for an increased law enforcement presence and expanded availability to support District campuses.
- The District's reimbursement will increase to better reflect the rising personnel costs associated with providing these services. The District will contribute

\$75,000 during the first year of the agreement, \$80,000 during the second year, and \$85,000 during the third year.

Due to current staffing levels within the Police Department, the agreement also includes a temporary suspension of dedicated SRO services during the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2026/27 (July 1 through September 30, 2026). During this period, GVPD will remain responsive to the school district but will not provide a dedicated SRO stationed on the Lyman Gilmore campus. The District will not be billed for SRO services during this period. Regular dedicated SRO services and quarterly billing will commence on October 1, 2026.

The Grass Valley Police Department and Grass Valley School District remain committed to working collaboratively to provide a safe educational environment while fostering positive relationships between law enforcement, students, families, and school staff.

**Council Goals/Objectives:** Approval of this agreement supports the City's Strategic Goal of **Exceptional Public Safety** by continuing a collaborative partnership that enhances campus security, strengthens emergency preparedness, and promotes positive engagement between law enforcement and the community's youth.

**Fiscal Impact:** Under the proposed agreement, the Grass Valley School District will reimburse the City as follows:

- FY 2026/27: \$75,000 (less the waived first quarter due to the temporary suspension of dedicated services)
- FY 2027/28: \$80,000
- FY 2028/29: \$85,000

The City will continue to absorb the remaining personnel and operational costs associated with the assigned officer, including salary and benefits not reimbursed by the District, vehicle costs, equipment, training, and other indirect expenses.

**Funds Available:** Yes

**Account #:** General Fund

**Reviewed by:** Interim City Manager

**Attachments:**

- Agreement Between the City of Grass Valley and the Grass Valley School District for School Resource Officer Services.
- Addendum to the School Resource Officer Agreement.