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Carl Young
County Administrator
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Dear Mr. Young,

Council appreciates the communication from March 28, 2023 and fully agree that the best approach moving forward is to "extend our previous agreement to the end of 2023". This will remove what you have interpreted as a month-to-month agreement and provide some stability to employment contracting.

Your March 28, 2023 letter proposes an extension of 2017 agreement to the end of 2023. Council agrees to the extension of the original 2017 agreement through the end of this year at the annual rate to the County of seven hundred thirteen thousand eight hundred and fifty-seven dollars \$ 713,857.00 payable in monthly payments of \$59,488.00. the City proposes adding verbiage to the agreement for the option of an additional 6 month to one year extension of the agreement to allow the City time to either develop a police department or negotiate a contractual agreement with the Sheriff for long-term law enforcement services.

Council acknowledges that under an extension, the Sheriff's office will provide continued service to the City based on its current staffing level.

Over the course of the next few months City administration will try to coordinate with the Sheriff's Office to obtain the inventory of equipment that was requested during the initial conversation last fall.

Respectfully,

C. Gaye Davis
City Administrator