



City of Tualatin

CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager
FROM: Bill Steele, Chief of Police
DATE: July 26, 2021

SUBJECT:

Consideration of **Resolution 5563-21** Authorizing the City Manager to Sign an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tualatin and Washington County for Provision of a Mental Health Response Team Crisis Clinician

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Washington County, acting through its Department of Health and Human Services, will provide one crisis mental health clinician on the Washington County Mental Health Response Team (MHRT) to be paired with the Cities of Tigard, Tualatin, Sherwood, and King City.

The Mental Health Response Team includes a police officer and master's level clinician from the Mental Health Crisis Team paired together in a patrol car. This unique program offers optimum care to those in need – a rapid response from a skilled police officer and immediate intervention with an experienced clinician.

As a team, there is more opportunity for problem solving on scene and minimizing the risk of a situation escalating. In addition to responding to the immediate crisis, the team also provides follow-up with individuals to ensure they are getting connected to the services and support they need.

This was identified as a priority in our Community Conversations on Police Use of Force.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

Tualatin will be responsible for \$3,838.00 per month, which represents 35% of the total invoice.

ATTACHMENTS:

- Resolution 5563-21
- Intergovernmental Agreement