



Council Agenda Report

From: Caleb Davis, Police Commander

Subject: Approval of Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District for the School Resource Officer Program

CEQA Determination: The City finds that this action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State Guidelines Section State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15060, subd. (c)(2)-(3), 15378.

Date: June 17, 2025

Facts

1. On November 1, 2018, the City and the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District entered into an agreement to provide School Resources Officer ("SRO") services.
2. On July 1, 2023, the parties executed the Agreement/Memorandum of Understanding for the School Resource Officer Program whereby, among other things:
 - a. City agreed to assign two SROs with primary assignment at Paso Robles High School and fund a vehicle for one SRO;
 - b. PRJUSD agreed to reimburse the City for the services of the two SROs and for half of the cost of the second SRO vehicle; and
 - c. The parties agreed to share the remaining cost of the second SRO vehicle and that City would be reimbursed a cost of \$12,500 per year for the vehicle.
3. The goals SRO programs include providing a safe learning environment, providing valuable resources to school staff members, fostering positive relationships with youth, developing strategies to resolve problems affecting youth and protecting all students, so that they can reach their fullest potentials.
4. On July 1, 2024, the City and the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District amended the Agreement to:
 - a. Add one (1) additional SRO to bring the total of SROs to three (3);
 - b. Require the District to reimburse the City \$112,835.68 annually for the services of this third SRO to be paid on July 1; and
 - c. Require the District to pay for any overtime requested by the District for this third SRO.
5. The parties mutually desire to further amend the Agreement pursuant to the attached amendment dated July 1, 2025 (Attachment 1).
6. This amendment to the Agreement states that:
 - a. The term of the Agreement will be extended until June 30, 2028;
 - b. The parties will continue to utilize three SROs to provide the services throughout the term of this extended agreement in exchange for \$253,850 per year to the City;
 - c. For the term of July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026, the District will also provide a one-time payment of \$70,000 to the City for the purchase of a vehicle for the third SRO's use to be paid to City at a time mutually agreed upon by the parties.

Community Outreach

The proposed addendum was approved by the PRJUSD at their June 10, 2025 School board meeting.

Options

1. Take no action;
2. Authorize the City Manager to sign the attached addendum and continue to contract with PRJUSD until school year 2027-2028;
3. Provide alternative direction to staff.

Analysis and Conclusions

The proposed addendum to the agreement between the City and the Paso Robles Joint Unified School District (PRJUSD) reflects a mutual commitment to continue and strengthen the Program through the 2027–2028 school year. This extension supports the sustained presence of law enforcement on PRJUSD campuses, fostering a safe and secure educational environment while encouraging positive interactions between students and officers. Although the SROs are assigned to PRJUSD campuses, they may be required to respond to other calls for service in the City as needed.

Under the terms of the addendum, PRJUSD agrees to provide funding for a portion of the salaries associated with the three School Resource Officer positions and will make a one-time contribution of \$70,000 to the City for the purchase of a vehicle to support the program. In return, the City commits to maintaining three full-time SROs through the extended term. All other provisions of the original agreement will remain unchanged, ensuring program continuity. This collaborative approach balances public safety priorities and fiscal responsibility. Staff recommends approval of the addendum as it enhances operational capacity and reinforces the strong partnership between the City and the school district.

Fiscal Impact

The addendum will result in continued financial support from the PRJUSD, which will fund a portion of the salaries associated with the three School Resource Officer positions through the 2027–2028 Fiscal Year. Additionally, PRJUSD will provide a one-time payment of \$70,000 to the City to purchase a vehicle for SRO use. Per the original agreement, for FY 2025-26, the City will receive \$253,850 from the School District towards the total salary costs for the SRO partnership. The total estimated salary costs for these positions for FY 2025-26 are \$584,775. This results in the City covering approximately 60% of the total costs, with PRJUSD contributing approximately 40%.

CEQA

The City finds that this action is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act pursuant to State Guidelines Section State CEQA Guidelines, §§ 15060, subd. (c)(2)-(3), 15378.

Recommendation

Authorize the City Manager to enter into the attached addendum and continue to contract with PRJUSD until school year 2027-2028 and to authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement, subject to any minor, technical or non-substantive changes as approved by the City Manager and City Attorney.

Attachments

1. PRJUSD SRO Contract Addendum through School Year 2027-2028.
2. Original Signed Contract Between the City and the PRJUSD.