



City Council Report

Date: November 7, 2022
To: City Council
Through: Scott J. Butler, Assistant City Manager
From: Ken Cost, Police Chief
Thom Intrieri, Commander
Subject: Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Arizona – Department of Public Safety (Citywide)

Purpose and Recommendation

The City of Mesa Police Department is respectfully requesting the Mesa City Council approve and authorize the City Manager or designee to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Arizona – Department of Public Safety for Cooperative Law Enforcement Training Operations.

Background

The City of Mesa and the State of Arizona – Department of Public Safety will enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of conducting joint law enforcement training or attending law enforcement training hosted by either party. Training may include, but is not limited to, recruit and in-service academy training and specialty schools for both sworn and civilian personnel.

Discussion

Through the Memorandum of Understanding, both parties agree that:

- The Host Agency will provide original training records and will maintain records of lesson plans, class rosters, and other documentation common to the class.
- The Host Agency will have the sole authority over the curriculum and content of instruction, the training schedule and hours, and the implementation and execution of policies and procedures.
- The Non-Host Agency agrees to provide equipment to its personnel as a condition of participating in the training program.

Alternatives

If the Memorandum of Understanding is declined, the City of Mesa and the State of Arizona – Department of Public Safety will continue cooperative law enforcement training operations without the benefit of a mutual aid agreement.

Fiscal Impact

A separate written agreement for each cooperative law enforcement training operation listing specific terms as well as fees will be signed prior to the start of training. In establishing the fees, the parties may consider the nature and duration of the training, additional expenses associated with participation by the Non-Host Agency, non-monetary contributions by the Non-Host Agency in facilities, personnel or equipment, and the experience, value and goodwill inherent in the parties training together.

The Chief of Police or Director of the Host Agency, or their designee, has the discretion to waive, applicable fees if it is determined to be in the best interest of the Host Agency or in exchange for in-kind services, goods, or materials.

Coordinated With

The City of Mesa Police Department recommends the approval to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Arizona – Department of Public Safety for Cooperative Law Enforcement Training Operations.