



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** October 14, 2024
SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to execute a School Resource Officer Shared Services Agreement with Birdville Independent School District for the 2024-2025 school year.

PRESENTER: Paulette Hartman, City Manager and Mike Young, Chief of Police

SUMMARY:

The City of North Richland Hills (City) and the Birdville Independent School District (BISD) seek to enter into a revised School Resource Officer Agreement in which the City provides two additional licensed peace officers to serve as School Resource Officers for all BISD secondary campuses within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City of North Richland Hills. The agreement outlines the cost sharing between the City and BISD in which the City pays 35% and BISD pays 65% of the total cost of each officer.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The City and BISD have had a long-standing relationship in which the City provides licensed peace officers to serve as School Resource Officers for the BISD secondary campuses located within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City. This agreement seeks to expand upon previous arrangements by adding two additional full-time licensed peace officers in order to extend full time staffing to the Birdville Center of Technology and Advanced Learning as well as each middle and upper school campus.

The School Resource Officers will provide defined services at the specified school campuses within the jurisdictional boundaries of the City. The 2024/25 contract terms provide for each officer to work an 8-hour day and a 40-hour work week. The total annual cost of the additional two SROs is \$330,239. BISD is responsible for paying 65% of all costs of each officer assigned to the district which is \$214,655.41. The City is responsible for 35% of the cost which is \$115,583.68, and is included in the adopted FY 2024/2025 Crime Control & Prevention District Budget. The attached agreement is for the 2024/2025 school year and will continue each school year thereafter unless terminated by either party or the terms are renegotiated resulting in a new contract term. BISD will be invoiced for actual costs incurred. Each January, the City will provide the District with cost estimates for the next year including salary, equipment, training, and uniforms.



The BISD School Board approved the attached agreement a their last board meeting. The Police Department plans to provide he additional officers at the aforementioned campuses in November.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the attached School Resource Officer Shared Services Agreement with the Birdville Independent School District, and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.