

June 4, 2020 Regular School Board Meeting

Title

C17 - 2020-2021 School Safety Interlocal Agreement among the School Board of Clay County, Florida; the Town of Orange Park, Florida; and the Town of Orange Park Police Department

Description

Proposed funding and contract options to meet the requirements for the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act, Ch. 2018-3 to include draft agreement with the Town on Orange Park Police Department School Resource Officer (SRO) program to include one full time police officer at each of the three schools in the city boundaries for the 2020-2021 academic year.

Gap Analysis

The Town of Orange Park has contracted with the Clay County District School District to provide a School Resource Officer at the three schools within their municipality for the school year 2020-2021. The Town of Orange Park will continue with the school system to enhance the partnership between the local Police Department and families of students living in the city and attending one of the three schools.

Previous Outcomes

During the 2019-2020 school year the Town of Orange Park Police Department planned and implemented the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (“DARE”) program, and introduced a pedestrian safety program at Grove Park Elementary, Orange Park Junior High and Orange Park Elementary.

Expected Outcomes

The presence of the SRO’s on the three campuses will strengthen relationships between the Town of Orange Park Police Department and the families in the community. Their presence will also improve relationships between students and the Town of Orange Park, resulting in higher quality interactions with the neighborhoods, ultimately creating a more cohesive and secure campus environment. There will be a continuation of educational instruction concerning the law and illegal activities with students, as well as a reduction in the number of aggressive and violent conduct referrals overall.

Strategic Plan Goal

Ensure effective management of the organization, operations, and facilities to maximize the use of resources and promote a safe, efficient, and effective learning environment for Clay County Students.

Recommendation

Approve the agreement between the Town of Orange Park Police Department and the School Board of Clay County.

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Financial Impact

\$210,801.00 to be paid in (12) equal installments for the School Resource Officers.
(No change from 19-20 agreement)

Review Comments

Attachments

