

May 21, 2018

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT

Resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) allowing specified City of Bellevue Police involvement in the FBI Sound Regional Violent Crimes Task Force.

FISCAL IMPACT

This proposal memorializes an agreement appointing a Bellevue Police Officer to the FBI Sound Regional Violent Crimes Task Force (SRVCTF). This authorizes the Officer to work on an as-needed basis with the task force to detect and investigate bank robberies and other investigations involving crimes of violence. This action is not expected to have an independent fiscal impact, because the MOU allows for overtime reimbursement only if the officer is assigned to the Task Force full-time, which will not be the case in this instance. The Department will bear the costs of its own actions to work cases.

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Police Department

POLICY CONSIDERATION

Should the City execute a MOU allowing a Bellevue Police Officer to be a member of the SRVCTF operated by the FBI?

BACKGROUND

Operational partnerships are the backbone of modern law enforcement and have never been more important to the City's efforts to combat criminal activity. In December 2012, the City entered into the Safe Streets Task Force (SSTF) operated by the FBI to identify, disrupt, and dismantle existing and emerging violent criminal enterprises and gangs in King County, as well as other individuals and groups whose criminal activity negatively impact the Puget Sound area. The SSTF enhanced the effectiveness of law enforcement through a well-coordinated initiative seeking the most effective investigation and prosecution avenues by which to convict and incarcerate dangerous offenders. A Bellevue Police Department Detective has worked with the bank robbery group of the SSTF since 2012.

The FBI recently re-organized the SSTF and moved the bank robbery group under the SRVCTF. The mission of the SRVCTF is to identify and target for prosecution criminal enterprise groups responsible for drug trafficking, money laundering, alien smuggling, crimes of violence, robbery, and violent street gangs. A new MOU between the FBI and the City is needed to cooperate in the SRVCTF.

EFFECTIVE DATE

If approved, this Resolution becomes effective immediately upon Council adoption.

OPTIONS

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) allowing specified City of Bellevue Police involvement in the FBI Sound Regional Violent Crimes Task Force.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

RECOMMENDATION

Option 1

MOTION

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9407 authorizing execution of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City and the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) allowing specified City of Bellevue Police involvement in the FBI Sound Regional Violent Crimes Task Force.

ATTACHMENTS

Proposed Resolution No. 9407

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Memorandum of Understanding