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City Council

Approval of a Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for Mutual Law Enforcement Aid

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Title

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Recommended Action

Committee Recommendation:

Not referred to a committee.

City Manager Recommendation:

Move to approve the resolution authorizing an agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for mutual law enforcement aid.

Report

Issue:

Whether to approve a resolution authorizing an agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for mutual law enforcement aid.

Staff Contact:

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Presenter(s):

None - Consent Calendar Item.

Background and Analysis:

Law enforcement agencies in Thurston County have a long history of assisting one another during times when resources and/or the expertise of the requesting agency have been exhausted or exceeded. Thurston County law enforcement agencies have also operated teams and task forces made up of members of different law enforcement agencies throughout Thurston County. Mutual aid between law enforcement agencies is authorized under interlocal agreements, and each team or taskforce comprised of different agencies requires an interlocal agreement specific to the purpose of that particular team/task force.

This interlocal agreement is specific to the Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT), comprised of Thurston County, Lacey, Tumwater, Olympia and Yelm law enforcement agencies. The interlocal agreement for SWAT includes details related to the liability to the participating agencies, and the operations and deployment of the Team. This agreement replaces the existing and outdated interlocal cooperation agreement for law enforcement mutual aid between the listed agencies that was entered into by the parties in 2009.

Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

None

Options:

1. Approve the resolution authorizing an agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for mutual law enforcement aid. This will provide needed updates to inter local agreement related to SWAT.
2. Modify the agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for mutual law enforcement aid. Any modification will require mutual agreement between all participating agencies.
3. Do not approve the resolution authorizing an agreement with Thurston County, Tumwater, Lacey and Yelm for mutual law enforcement aid. Not approving this agreement will require the team to operate under the existing agreement, which is lacking in accuracy, detail, and adequate liability limits.

Financial Impact:

The Olympia Police Department currently provides funding for equipment and training for the four members of the Department that operate on the SWAT team.

Attachments:

Resolution
Interlocal Agreement