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**TO:** Gahanna City Council  
Clerk of Council

**FROM:** Tim Becker, Director of Public Safety  
Jeffrey Spence, Chief of Police  
Mayor Laurie A. Jadwin

**Cc:** Priya Tamilarasan, Esq., City Attorney  
Joann Bury, Director of Finance

**DATE:** April 10, 2024

**SUBJECT:** Dept. of Public Safety - Request for Council Action (April 22, 2024 COTW Meeting)

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#### ACTION ITEMS

**ACTION ITEM #1: SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER CONTRACT REQUEST WITH THE GAHANNA-JEFFERSON PUBLIC SCHOOLS (GJPS) FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR.**

The Department of Public Safety respectfully requests Council authorize the Mayor to enter into the attached School Resource Officer (SRO) contract with the Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools (GJPS) for the 2024-2025 school year. A copy of the proposed contract is attached.

Under the proposed contract with GJPS, the District will reimburse the City 50% of the total costs associated with one officer and 75% of the costs of the second officer providing SRO services to Gahanna-Lincoln High School. The not-to-exceed contract amount for the 2024-2025 school year is \$225,087.05 (billed monthly).

The proposed contract is being presented to the GJPS Board of Education by the Superintendent of Schools at the GJPS Board meeting on April 18.

Requested Legislation and Funding

Legislation Needed:	Ordinance
Emergency/Waiver:	N/A
Vendor Name:	Gahanna-Jefferson Public Schools
Vendor Address:	140 S. Hamilton Road; Gahanna, OH 43230
Already Appropriated:	Yes
Supplemental/Transfer:	N/A

Attachments:

PD-ATT 2024\_2025\_SRO\_Contract

### Contract Approvals

- This item has been approved by the Mayor
- This item has been approved by the Director of Finance
- This item has been approved by the City Attorney

### ACTION ITEM #2: SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF TRAINING FUNDS RECEIVED FROM THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE.

Annually, the Attorney General's Office prescribes certain hours of mandatory Continuing Professional Training (CPT) hours for all Ohio sworn peace officers in accordance with Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) Section 109:2-18-02. In 2023, the AG's Office mandated 24 hours of CPT training with reimbursement to employing agencies funded in the State's biennial budget. The OAC further mandates that all reimbursed funds be used for training purposes (course fees, equipment, and related training expenses).

The Gahanna Division of Police, having been found compliant with all State-mandated training requirements, submitted for reimbursement for 24 hours of training for each of its sworn employees based on hourly rates of pay. The City received \$87,059 in reimbursed funds in 2024 (the full amount). During the 2024 budget preparation process, the Division anticipated receiving \$23,000 in training reimbursement, as the State often reduces the amount reimbursed to individual agencies based upon the State's budget needs.

Based on the above, the Department of Public Safety respectfully requests Council to issue legislation authorizing the supplemental appropriation of the sum of \$64,059.00 from the unappropriated, unencumbered balance of the AG Training Fund 2370 into Account Number 237.10.000.5225 (AG Training professional development) for training expenses.

### Requested Legislation and Funding

Legislation Needed:	Ordinance
Emergency/Waiver:	N/A
Vendor Name:	N/A
Vendor Address:	N/A
Already Appropriated:	N/A
Supplemental/Transfer:	
	\$64,059 from unappropriated, unencumbered balance of the AG Training Fund 2370 to 237.10.000.5225 (AG Training Professional Development)

### ACTION ITEM #3: ADOPTION OF THE 2023-2024 FRANKLIN COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (VOLUMES 1 & 2).

In 2023, the Franklin County Emergency Management Agency (EMA) tasked each local unit of government with updating the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan. The City's response to EMA's request was coordinated by Senior Director of Operations Kevin Schultz, working with the City Engineer's office, and the Division of Police. The Plan's focus is primarily flood response within Franklin County and individual communities. The Plan must be periodically updated to comport with federal law, including the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act; the Flood Insurance Act of 1968, as amended; and the National Dam Safety Program Act, as amended. Plan goals include identifying mitigation efforts and actions to reduce

or eliminate risk to persons and property in Franklin County and its jurisdictions. Having a current plan, and an adoption of the Plan by participating local units of government, is a requirement in seeking federal disaster relief should a qualifying event occur. A link to the completed plan can be found by visiting the EMA's website at: <https://fcemhs.org/Planning/Franklin-County-Natural-Hazards-Mitigation-Plan>

The Plan is now complete and has been formally published by EMA. Based on the above, the Department of Public Safety respectfully requests a Resolution to affirm the City of Gahanna's support of the Plan and formally adopting the Franklin County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (Volumes 1 & 2).

As further evidence of local municipalities supporting the Plan, a copy of the City of Dublin's Resolution adopting the Plan is attached for reference.

Requested Legislation and Funding:

Legislation Needed:	Resolution
Emergency/Waiver:	N/A
Vendor Name:	N/A
Vendor Address:	N/A
Already Appropriated:	N/A
Supplemental/Transfer:	N/A

Attachments:

PD-ATT Dublin\_Resolution