



# City of Pensacola

222 West Main Street  
Pensacola, FL 32502

## Memorandum

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**File #:** 20-00141

City Council

4/23/2020

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### **LEGISLATIVE ACTION ITEM**

**SPONSOR:** Grover C. Robinson, IV, Mayor

**SUBJECT:**

FISCAL YEAR 2020 COMMUNITY POLICING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) - DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT BOARD (DIB)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

That the City Council approve a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Pensacola and the Downtown Improvement Board of Pensacola for the purpose of providing Community Policing Innovations within the downtown area in the City of Pensacola, Escambia County, Florida (hereinafter referred to as the "DIB District") for the Fiscal Year 2020 in an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

**HEARING REQUIRED:** No Hearing Required

**SUMMARY:**

The Downtown Improvement Board (hereinafter referred to as "DIB") was created through an act of the Legislature of the State of Florida to correct blight, preserve and enhancing property values, encouraging and facilitating economic development, attracting and retaining commercial and residential investment, beautifying Downtown Pensacola, and marketing and promoting Downtown Pensacola to attract more customers, clients, residents, and other users of Downtown Pensacola.

The DIB wishes to develop and implement Community Policing Innovations which for this MOU is defined as a policing technique or strategy designed to reduce crime by reducing opportunities for, and increasing the perceived risks of engaging in, but not limited to, community mobilization, neighborhood block watch, citizen patrol, citizen contact patrol, foot patrol, neighborhood storefront police stations, field interrogation, or intensified motorized patrol.

The City employs sworn law enforcement officers who have the police power and the ability to assist the DIB by focusing resources upon Community Policing Innovations in an effort to reduce crime within the DIB District. The City and the DIB are willing to cooperate and provide assistance to each other and, to the extent permitted by law, all in such means and manner as will promote the rehabilitation and redevelopment of the DIB District, benefit the local economy, and be a substantial benefit to the DIB and the City, by jointly undertaking community policing innovations within the DIB District.

The parties desire to enter into a memorandum of understanding setting forth the terms, conditions, and responsibilities of a coordinated and collective effort to redevelop the DIB District through Community Policing Innovations and have determined that such an agreement to accomplish the purposes, as set forth herein, involves appropriate public expenditures to achieve important public purposes.

**PRIOR ACTION:**

September 18, 2019 - City Council adopted Budget Resolution No. 2019-50 that included \$60,000 from the Downtown Improvement Board for Community Policing within the DIB District.

**FUNDING:**

Budget: \$60,000

Actual: \$60,000

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:**

Funding for Community Policing within the DIB District has been included in the Fiscal Year 2020, within the Police Departments Fiscal Year 2020 Budget.

**CITY ATTORNEY REVIEW:** Yes

3/17/2020

**STAFF CONTACT:**

Keith Wilkins, City Administrator  
Tommi S. Lyter, Chief of Police

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- 1) DIB Memorandum of Understanding for Community Policing

**PRESENTATION:** No