



City of Maricopa

Legislation Text

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The Mayor and City Council shall discuss and take action to approve a Memorandum of Understanding with Sequoia Pathway Academy for a School Resource Officer. Sequoia Pathway Academy will contribute \$333,060.15 over three years. Discussion and Action.

Sequoia Pathway Academy has received grant funding through the Arizona Department of Education "School Safety Grant" in the amount of \$111,020.05 per year for a full-time School Safety Officer for 10 months. This grant will replace the previous COPS Hiring Program grant that ended on June 30, 2023 and MOU 20-05.

The grant is effective July 1, 2023- June 30, 2026. The total costs to the City for two months of salary and benefits is estimated to be \$22,204 annually per School Resource Officer. The School Resource Officer position is budgeted in GL 10022123-51100.

This grant benefits the City of Maricopa through safe and durable communities and builds trust within the community and among the youth. The SRO's will be on campus to assist with enforcement when necessary but more so to act as a role model, provide law enforcement related education, develop relationships and make referrals to victim services to follow up with families and connect them with services and programming.

Staff recommends entering into a Memorandum of Understanding with Sequoia Pathway Academy for School Resource Officer.