

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT
WITH THE LOUISVILLE METRO POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR COMMUNITY
POLICING SERVICES**

Item No. 5e

WHEREAS, the Louisville Metro Housing Authority (LMHA) has collaborated with the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD) to implement a Community Policing Program for LMHA communities; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority Liaison Officer (HALO) program has been operational for approximately 24 years; and

WHEREAS, LMHA has budgeted in the FY 2020 - 2021 Capital Fund Program to continue the HALO program; and

WHEREAS, the staff is requesting Board approval to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for one year.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LOUISVILLE METRO HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, that the Executive Director and Contracting Officer, Lisa Osanka, is authorized to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Louisville Metro Police Department effective July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 each year of the contract.

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I. STATEMENT OF FACTS:

Since the inception of the Housing Authority Liaison Officer (HALO) program in 1995, the HALO program has made an improvement in the safety of LMHA communities and has significantly enhanced LMHA's relationship with the Louisville Metro Police Department (LMPD). The program was established to provide additional community policing patrols in LMHA developments.

Funding had previously been supplied through the Housing Authority's Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP), but the grant expired in May 2003. In 2004, LMHA began funding the program.

II. ALTERNATIVES:

- A. Approve the intergovernmental agreement between LMHA and LMPD for the Housing Authority Liaison Officer (HALO) program for the current year July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021 in an amount not to exceed \$95,000 each year.
- B. Do not approve the intergovernmental agreement.

III. RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends Alternative "A".

IV. JUSTIFICATION:

This agreement for the HALO program will continue to provide additional police patrols at two of LMHA's sites (Dosker Manor and Parkway Place). Under the contract, LMPD will assign four (4) HALO officers to LMHA sites.

During the past year, the need for additional police presence has been magnified due to the increased criminal activity in LMHA's developments and the surrounding neighborhoods. The Housing Authority has received positive feedback in the past from residents and staff regarding the performance and effectiveness of the HALOs.

It is also important to note that it is difficult to measure what types of crime may have been prevented by the presence of the HALO officers. The Housing Authority will

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IV. JUSTIFICATION (cont'd):

continue to monitor and evaluate the program in accordance with the agreement to determine effectiveness.

The funding commitment provided by LMHA leverages an amount of additional funding provided by the City to cover the total cost of the program.

Staff strongly recommends Board approval for the continued partnership with LMPD to address crime and crime prevention strategies within LMHA developments.

V. BUDGET APPROVAL:

Funding for this project has been appropriated in LMHA's 2020 - 2021 Capital Fund Program .

Angela Larsson, Director of Finance

Date

VI. PROCUREMENT CERTIFICATION:

This intergovernmental agreement is in compliance with Louisville Metro Housing Authority's procurement policies and procedures.

Steve Webb, Purchasing Agent

Date

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