

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-09-045R

RESOLUTION REGARDING THE FUTURE OF THE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER PROGRAM INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH URBANA SCHOOL DISTRICT 116

WHEREAS, the City of Urbana, Illinois (“City”) and Urbana School District No. 116 (the “School District”) entered into a School Resource Officer Program Intergovernmental Agreement (agreement) to commence January 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the City acknowledges that Intergovernmental Agreements may be ended or amended by affirmation of all participating bodies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Urbana, Champaign County, Illinois, as follows:

Section 1.


In the event that the School District wishes to terminate, suspend or amend the School Resource Officer Program Intergovernmental Agreement, then at such time the City will work with the School District to develop a financial exit strategy that is mutually acceptable to both parties.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 14th day of September, 2020.

AYES: Brown, Laut, Miller, Roberts, Wu

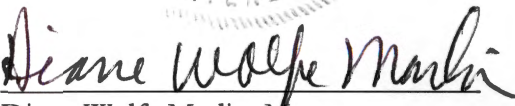
NAYS: Colbrook, Hursey

ABSTENTIONS:



Phyllis D. Clark, City Clerk

APPROVED BY THE MAYOR this 15th day of September, 2020.



Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

November 18, 2020

Dear Superintendent Ivory-Tatum:

The City of Urbana appreciates and understands the concerns expressed by Urbana School District #116 (USD#116) regarding the costs of maintaining School Resource Officers (SRO) at Urbana High School and Urbana Middle School given the reduced number of students present in both schools due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As we discussed, the two SRO positions were added to the Urbana Police Department's (UPD) overall staffing with the understanding and agreement that USD #116 would pay the City in order for the City to cover their compensation and related costs. Since they were shifted from their normal duties to their SRO duties, the UPD had to hire two new officers to assume the duties that the two SROs had been performing before moving them over to the schools. After discussion with you, we have agreed on the following plan going forward:

1. The City will temporarily reduce the amount paid by the School District to the City by \$22,600 per quarter for the fourth calendar quarter of 2020 (Oct-Dec) and for the first calendar quarter of 2021 (Jan-Mar).

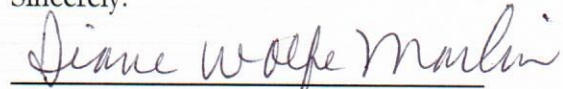
2. The other portions of the Intergovernmental Agreement will remain in effect except for the recurring compensation modification noted above.

3. The School District and the City will reassess this situation in early March 2021 based on pandemic conditions then present in the City and the schools. Depending on that assessment, the City and the School District will return to the payment schedule provided in the Intergovernmental Agreement, continue with this plan to some designated point in the future, or modify this plan based on the assessment.

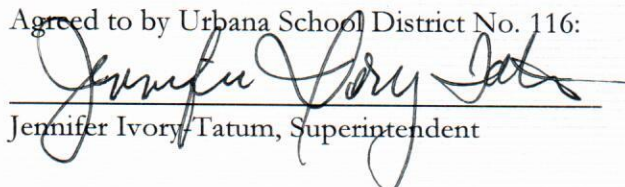
I truly appreciate your cooperation in arriving at this solution.

Please acknowledge the School District's agreement with the above temporary amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement by signing a copy of this letter. My signature below acknowledges the City's acceptance of these temporary changes.

Sincerely:


Diane Wolfe Marlin, Mayor

Agreed to by Urbana School District No. 116:


Jennifer Ivory Tatum, Superintendent