

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 35SAFE CITY COMMISSION SUPPORT PROVIDER PROGRAM FY21

SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Agreement with Safe City Commission in the Amount of \$345,000.00 to Operate One Safe Place as a Regional Family Justice Center in Tarrant County During Fiscal Year 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of an agreement with Safe City Commission in the amount of \$345,000.00 to operate One Safe Place as a Regional Family Justice Center in Tarrant County during Fiscal Year 2021.

DISCUSSION:

One Safe Place, a Regional Family Justice Center, brings together a multi-agency task force dedicated to providing coordinated services to victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Tarrant County. Victims of domestic violence receive coordinated medical, legal, and counseling services and have access to on-site professionals. The on-site professionals include child protective services, law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, and victim advocate specialists. The increased access to professional services at one centralized location encourages victims of domestic violence to report the abuse, provides victims with access to necessary services, and creates an opportunity to break the cycle of violence.

The City of Fort Worth worked closely with Safe City Commission (SCC) to develop the vision of One Safe Place. Under the terms of the agreement, SCC will be disbursed during Fiscal Year 2021 an amount up to \$345,000.00 to cover administration and facilities expenses as a Support Service Provider under the terms of the CCPD Financial Policy. SCC will provide this support to the Fort Worth Police Department and four third party CCPD mission eligible direct service providers.

This agreement will be effective October 1, 2020, and will end on September 30, 2021.

One Safe Place provides services to ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the above recommendation and adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget by the City Council, funds will be available in the Fiscal Year 2021 Operating Budget, as appropriated, in the Crime Control & Prev Distr fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Police Department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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