City of Fort Worth, Texas

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 21FWPD LEASE AT ONE SAFE PLACE

SUBJECT

(CD 9) Authorize The Execution of a Lease Agreement with Safe City Commission for Fort Worth Police Department Operations at One Safe Place, Located at 1100 Hemphill, Fort Worth, Texas 76104 During Fiscal Year 2021

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of a lease agreement with Safe City Commission to allow the Fort Worth Police Department to continue operations and provide law enforcement activities at One Safe Place, located at 1100 Hemphill, Fort Worth, Texas 76104, to support the mission of The Safe City Commission during Fiscal Year 2021.

DISCUSSION:

The Safe City Commission (SCC) exists to provide a cooperative, collaborative, multi-disciplinary effort between various agencies in Tarrant County for the investigation, prosecution, protection, and treatment of domestic violence and sexual assault related to domestic violence victims and their children.

SCC operates One Safe Place (OSP), a Regional Family Justice Center, that 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 including child protective services, law enforcement personnel, prosecutors, and victim advocate specialists.

The City of Fort Worth (City) worked closely with SCC to develop the vision of OSP. Under the terms of this lease agreement between the City and SCC, the Fort Worth Police Department (FWPD) will continue to occupy the entire second floor (Leased Premises) of the OSP facility to support the SCC mission by providing law enforcement activities, including the Sexual Assault Unit, Domestic Violence Unit, Victim Assistance Unit and the Crisis Intervention Team.

The primary term of the lease agreement will be for 1 (one) year, effective October 1, 2020 and will terminate on September 30, 2021 and provide for unlimited and automatic one year renewal periods at the end of the primary term to continue until terminated by either party.

Funding and additional consideration for the Leased Premises will be subject to Crime Control and Prevention District funding and a separate contract for the One Safe Place program.

This property is located in Council District 9.

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that, contingent upon adoption of the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget by City Council, funds will be available in the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget of the Crime Control and Prevention District Fund. The Police Department is responsible for verifying the availability of funds prior to an expenditure being made.

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