



## Legislation Text

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**SUBJECT:** City School District Crossing Guard Agreement

### REPORT IN BRIEF

Authorize a one-year agreement with the City School District to reimburse a portion of the cost associated with the School Crossing Guard Program.

### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council** - Adopt a motion approving the agreement with the Merced City School District for reimbursement of a portion of the cost associated with the School Crossing Guard Program and authorizing the City Manager to execute the necessary documents.

### ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by staff; or
2. Approve, subject to other than recommended by City Council; or
3. Deny; or
4. Refer to staff for reconsideration of specific items; or
5. Continue to a future meeting.

### AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200.

### CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Public Safety.

### DISCUSSION

Since the City of Merced implemented the neighborhood schools program, students who live within a one-mile radius of the school are required to walk to school. As a result, the Merced City School District has been required to increase the number of school crossing guards to assist the students walking to school. The City of Merced has always provided funding for four (4) school crossing guards at a cost of \$20,000. In 2009, at the request of the School District, the City negotiated a three-year contract with increases each year based on the annual "cost of living adjustments" (COLA).

This year the City of Merced is proposing a one-year contract.

The agreement states that the City of Merced shall reimburse the School District for a portion of the cost of the crossing guard program, from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016, not to exceed \$26,024.00.

Under this agreement the school district will be the employer of the crossing guards. The City of Merced will coordinate with the school district to plan and coordinate an annual training for district crossing guards.

### **IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES**

Funds in the amount of \$26,024.00 for fiscal year 2015 - 2016 are listed in the 2015 - 2016 police budget under account number 001-1008-522-17-00.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Copy of Crossing Guard Contract.