

San Marcos Consolidated Independent School District

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To: Stephanie Reyes, San Marcos City Manager

From: Dr. Michael A. Cardona, Superintendent

Date: August 23, 2024

Subject: School Resource Officer Interlocal Agreement

Dear Mrs. Reyes,

I am writing to address the City Council's recent action taken at the August 20, 2024, meeting concerning the School Resource Officer Interlocal Agreement (the "Agreement") between the City of San Marcos ("City") and the San Marcos Consolidated Independent School District ("District"). The San Marcos CISD Board unanimously approved the Agreement, as drafted, and presented by the City, on August 19, 2024.

I am respectfully requesting that the original contract be placed on the September 3, 2024 City Council Meeting. On behalf of the District and the Board of Trustees, I respectfully request that the City Council reconsider and rescind the action taken on August 20th so that the two-year term of the Agreement be reinstated and maintained. The District and the City have created monthly meetings held between the District and the City's Police Department to review the Agreement's effectiveness and address any issues that may happen during the course of the school day. Further, you and I have created monthly meetings with our staff to ensure that we are in alignment and any issues arising in during the two-year can be addressed by us if they arise to our level. Maintaining the two-year term as initially presented and approved by the District's Board of Trustees, ensures stability and consistency and it preserves our currently working systems with both the City's Police Department and City Manager's Office. Finally, the District pays the majority (60%) of the costs of the SRO program.

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter of utmost importance. I am available to discuss this further and to work with the City towards a resolution that best serves the interests of our District and City community. I will be available September 3, 2024 for City Council to ask any question should they arise.

Sincerely,

Dr. Michael A. Cardona Superintendent of Schools

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