



DATE: June 14, 2016

CATEGORY: Consent

DEPT.: Police

TITLE: **Law Enforcement Service Agreement
Between the City of Hollister and the
City of Mountain View**

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with the City of Hollister to provide law enforcement services during the Freedom Rally over the July 4th weekend.

BACKGROUND

Dating back to 1947, the Hollister Freedom Rally overtakes the downtown streets through the July 4th weekend. The rally attracts hundreds of bikers from all over the nation, including members of motorcycle gangs. This event was banned for several years due to criminal activity and service demands on the City of Hollister. The first year the rally was allowed to return was 2014 and the Hollister Police Department relied on “assisting agencies” to help staff the event. The Mountain View Police Department assisted the Hollister Police Department last year with Police Officers, mostly members of our Gang Suppression Team.

ANALYSIS

In addition to providing regional cooperation and assisting a small police department in staffing a rather large event, providing services through the proposed agreement is an opportunity for Mountain View Police Officers to gain a better understanding of motorcycle gang activity, members, and their gang attire. Last year’s event was considered a success and the rally/event will return to Hollister this year. The size of the event will be increased this year and the City of Hollister is again requesting outside agency assistance for police services.

FISCAL IMPACT

The City of Hollister shall hold harmless, indemnify, and defend the Assisting Agency, its officers, agents, and employees against all liability or injury arising out of the performance of services under the agreement.

In addition, the City of Hollister shall reimburse the City for any compensation the City provides to the officers and any Workers' Compensation costs arising from injury to personnel related to the performance of compensated services under this agreement.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Decline to provide assistance for the event.
2. Provide other direction to staff.

PUBLIC NOTICING – Agenda posting.

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