Weatherford City Council

AGENDA REPORT

Meeting Date:	March 24, 2026	**Staff Contact:**	Jason Hayes, Chief of Police
Item Number:	2026-766-AR	**Phone:**	817-598-4315

SUBJECT: Consider authorizing the City Manager to enter into Interlocal Cooperation Contracts between the City of Weatherford and Weatherford Independent School District for the School Resource Officer Program and Guardian Program.

BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION

The SRO and Guardian Interlocal Cooperation Contracts between the City of Weatherford and Weatherford Independent School District was last updated in 2023. The only substantial change in the revised contracts pertains to the compensation that WISD pays to the City. The updated compensation reflects a more equitable split of salaries, benefits, equipment, and training between the City and WISD.

While the previous agreement only included compensation for SRO salaries not to exceed $283,000 for five officers and $115,600 per officer for any additional officers, the new agreement includes salaries and benefits not to exceed $305,000 for all five officers, and 116,000 per officer for any additional officers.

Under the previous agreement, City Finance staff submitted four equal installment invoices of $70,750. WISD's portion of the annual compensation was approximately $283,000. Under the proposed agreement, City Finance would invoice WISD for four equal installments of $76,250, totaling $305,000 annually. This amount also includes the $5,000 training contribution, which equates to $1,000 per officer, whereas the previous agreement only allotted $600 in training compensation per officer.

In addition, as in the previous agreement, the City will submit a written estimate of the actual full cost to the City for providing police services in accordance with the contract. Further, the City and WISD shall reach an agreement as the amount of compensation to be paid by WISD to the City each year.

Regarding the Guardian program, the only change to the contract will be an increase in the amount the City can invoice WISD per class, from $20,000 to $25,000. This cost includes costs and expenses the City incurs for staff salaries and overtime of City personnel providing Guardian Program training and recertification, together with any costs and expenses for supplies and materials not provided by the District that were utilized by the City specifically for Guardian Program training.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

For the contract year beginning September 1, 2026, and ending August 31, 2027, WISD shall compensate the City the sum of $60,000 for each of the five current SROs for a total of $300,000, and a sum of $1,000 for each SRO as compensation for school-related training for a sum of $5,000. In addition, WISD will compensate the City up to $25,000 for Guardian Training and recertification, and up to an additional $25,000 for additional Guardian classes held in the same fiscal year.

SUGGESTED ACTION

Staff recommends approval for the City Manager to enter into the contracts.

ATTACHMENTS

- WISD ILA Guardian 2026
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