



**BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
YAKIMA, WASHINGTON
AGENDA STATEMENT**

Item No. 9.A.
For Meeting of: October 21, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Resolution authorizing a Memorandum of Understanding with Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center Walla Walla and Yakima County Superior Court for the Yakima Valor Notification Program

SUBMITTED BY: *Chad Janis, Yakima Police Captain

SUMMARY EXPLANATION:

This Memorandum of Understanding formalizes a partnership between the City of Yakima, Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center and the Yakima County Superior Court for the purpose of implementing the "Yakima Valor Notification" program for Veterans engaged in the criminal justice system that may benefit from a Veterans-Only Therapeutic Diversion Court, with the goal of improving outcomes by reducing recidivism and systemic trauma through evidence-based practices designed for those who have served in the military.

ITEM BUDGETED: N/A

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Safe and Healthy Yakima

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution.

ATTACHMENTS:

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