



Agenda Item

City Council

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TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THRU: Tom Kisela, City Manager

FROM: Dan Adams, Chief of Police

1. SUBJECT

Accept donation of a Police Support Canine and required training from the Orange Police Foundation.

2. SUMMARY

Donation of a Police Support Canine and training from the Orange Police Foundation will benefit the mental and physical well-being of police and City personnel.

3. RECOMMENDED ACTION

Accept donation of a Police Support Canine and training from the Orange Police Foundation to the Orange Police Department.

4. FISCAL IMPACT

None.

5. STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Goal 1: Provide for a safe community

a: Provide staffing and resources to deliver services that ensure public safety.

6. DISCUSSION AND BACKGROUND

The Orange Police Department, with the financial support of the Orange Police Foundation (Foundation), has established a Support Canine Program to enhance the emotional wellness of Police and City personnel and to engage with members of our community.

The initial cost and all recurring costs will be paid by the Foundation which was established in July 2023 and is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as an IRC 501(c)(3) exempt organization and public charity. The Foundation's mission, in part, is to support the Orange Police Department by funding equipment, training, and department programs. Donations to, and partnerships with, the Orange Police Foundation will ensure additional support needs are adequately provided for and will improve the safety of officers and residents through funding of equipment, training, and community outreach programs.

Crime Prevention Specialist, Sharyn Panaggio, has been selected as the handler for Support Canine Lily. Canine Lily, along with her handler, specialize in crisis support, critical incident response, victim

interviews, peer support, social/emotional well-being and community public relations.

7. ATTACHMENTS

- None