



Legislation Text

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TO: Mayor Richard C. Irvin

FROM: Commander Jack Fichtel and Lt. Steve Stemmet

DATE: April 20, 2021

SUBJECT:

Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to sign an updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force and the Aurora Police Department (APD).

PURPOSE:

An updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force and APD will allow for a continuing partnership in the investigations of major crimes, as well as an independent task force that can investigate officer involved shootings as outlined in the Illinois Police Community Relations Act (50 ILCS 727).

BACKGROUND:

The Aurora Police Department has had a long-standing cooperative relationship with the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force which Aurora Police Officers and Supervisors have been assigned to investigate and take enforcement action on major crimes or in the investigation of other jurisdictions officer involved shootings.

The Kane County Major Crimes Task Force has been utilized several times over the past years by the Aurora Police Department to act as an independent, outside law enforcement agency to investigate Aurora Police Officer involved shootings. The task force also has a group of officers that are specially trained in the investigation of serious and/ or fatal crashes. These officers have assisted Aurora traffic reconstructionist on major crash scenes.

This agreement has been updated by the newly appointed board of the Kane County Chiefs of Police, which oversee the operations of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force.

DISCUSSION:

A new Memorandum of Understanding with the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force will allow Aurora Police Officers to work with other law enforcement officials to conduct investigations of major crimes, crashes, or officer involved shootings in the area. This is an area of law enforcement where a task force philosophy is beneficial, as it pools specially trained officers to complete comprehensive investigations.

IMPACT STATEMENT:

If this project is approved, it will allow for the continued investigation and enforcement of major

crimes, crashes, and provide an independent agency to investigate officer involved shooting in Aurora area.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Allow the Chief of Police to sign the updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force and the Aurora Police Department

cc: cc:Alderman Hart-Burns
Alderman Smith
Alderman Lofchie
Alderman Mesiacos
Alderman Saville



CITY OF AURORA, ILLINOIS

RESOLUTION NO. _____
DATE OF PASSAGE _____

A Resolution authorizing the Chief of Police to sign an updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force and the Aurora Police Department (APD) for a task force officers.

WHEREAS, the City of Aurora has a population of more than 25,000 persons and is, therefore, a home rule unit under subsection (a) of Section 6 of Article VII of the Illinois Constitution of 1970; and

WHEREAS, subject to said Section, a home rule unit may exercise any power and perform any function pertaining to its government and affairs for the protection of the public health, safety, morals, and welfare; and

WHEREAS, The Aurora Police Department has had a long-standing cooperative relationship with the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force which Aurora Police Officers and Supervisors have been assigned to the task force to investigate and take enforcement action on major crimes or in the investigation of other jurisdictions officer involved shootings; and

WHEREAS, the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force has been utilized several times over the past years by the Aurora Police Department to act as an independent, outside law enforcement agency to investigate Aurora Police Officer involved shootings. The task force also has a group of officers that are specially trained in the investigation of serious and/ or fatal crashes. These officers have assisted Aurora traffic reconstructionist on major crash scenes; and

WHEREAS, this agreement has been updated by the newly appointed board of the Kane County Chiefs of Police, which oversee the operations of the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Aurora, Illinois, as follows: authorize the Chief of Police to sign an updated Memorandum of Understanding between the Kane County Major Crimes Task Force and the Aurora Police Department (APD).