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To: Patrick H. West, City Manager *T.M.*

From: Robert G. Luna, Chief of Police *R. Luna*

For: Mayor and Members of the City Council

Subject: Directed Enforcement and Neighborhood Safe Streets Program Update

This memo provides responses to questions related to the Directed Enforcement Teams and the Neighborhood Safe Streets Program raised by members of City Council during the Police Department's FY 18 Proposed Budget presentation.

The Police Department staffs four Directed Enforcement Teams. One team is assigned to each geographic patrol division. The Directed Enforcement Teams supplement patrol calls-for-service resources by proactively addressing the public safety priorities of their respective divisions. Directed Enforcement Teams have been successful in conducting investigations, obtaining and serving search warrants, applying community policing practices to crime and quality of life issues, making arrests, seizing firearms, confiscating narcotics, and working with City and community partners to mitigate concerning crime patterns.

In FY 17, the Police Department was appropriated \$500,000 in General Fund one-time resources to allocate towards the Neighborhood Safe Streets program. Over the course of FY 17, these funds have been used by the divisions to address crime trends using sworn staff on an overtime basis. As the department's analysts identify crime trends, division commanders prepare formalized funding requests identifying the crime trend, resources, timeline, and funding amount. Such requests are reviewed and approved by the Chief of Police.

As of September 1, 2017, the Police Department utilized the \$500,000 allocated under the Neighborhood Safe Streets Program on 11 operations. Each patrol division conducted between two to four operations at a cost ranging between \$20,000 and \$70,000. These operations targeted criminal activity patterns such as gang activity, robberies, auto burglary, auto theft, and bicycle theft. Neighborhood Safe Streets funding has allowed the four patrol divisions to strategically increase and focus police presence to address violent and property crime during the days and hours when such crimes are most likely to occur.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me or my Chief of Staff, Commander Paul LeBaron, at (562) 570-7301.

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