



# AGENDA REPORT

Police Department

<b>DATE:</b>	May 17, 2022
<b>TO:</b>	Mayor Butt and Members of the City Council
<b>FROM:</b>	Louie Tirona, Acting Chief of Police
<b>Subject:</b>	Proposed Three-Year, \$60,000 Contract with STAND! for Families Free of Violence to Provide Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP) Screening Services.
<b>FINANCIAL IMPACT:</b>	The Police Department will use approved budgeted funds from account 01191021-400201 to cover the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$20,000, and will budget accordingly for the following two periods.
<b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:</b>	n/a
<b>STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:</b>	The Police Department has worked with STAND! For Families Free of Violence for almost two decades and has benefited from the Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP) screening, which helps determine the likelihood that a partner involved in a domestic violence dispute will go on to commit a more heinous crime. The LAP screening had been previously funded by a Federal grant given to Contra Costa County, who in turn gave the funding to STAND!. Without Federal funding, STAND! must now charge for their services.
<b>RECOMMENDED ACTION:</b>	APPROVE a three-year, \$60,000 contract with STAND! For Families Free of Violence, to provide Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP) Screening services, for the period January 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023 – Police Department (Louie Tirona 510-621-1802).

## **DISCUSSION:**

The Police Department and STAND! for Families Free of Violence (STAND!) have an existing contract where STAND! provides advocates and services to domestic violence victims. The Police Department and STAND! will partner to implement (and ultimately sustain) a domestic violence homicide prevention project, which is based on the preliminary Lethality Assessment Protocol (LAP) screening. Due to the expiration of a Federal grant that helped support STAND!, STAND! must now bill for their services. Although the expense to STAND! is much more than they are billing to the Police Department, STAND! sees the importance of this screening and is willing to keep the cost at \$20,000.00 annually. The Police Department will incur an expense of \$20,000 per calendar year and will budget accordingly each fiscal year.

The current contract with STAND! was agreed upon via the attached sole source justification due to STAND! being a unique advocacy agency for Contra Costa County specializing in assisting victims of domestic violence.

With the Coronavirus in full effect at the end of 2020 and the stay-at-home order in place, a Purchase Order was not completed prior to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) being signed. However, it was verbally agreed upon that STAND! would provide the LAP screening starting January 1, 2021, and that the City would provide payment for those services to ensure services continued to be provided to residents during this critical time.

An After the Fact form is attached hereto. Due to on-going pandemic issues, STAND! is limited on resources and has not yet provided a new MOU for 2022. Additionally, they are working to renew their business license which expired December 31, 2021, and are actively seeking to complete the process required under Measure U to get the license renewed retroactively. The Police Department will work with STAND! and the Finance Department to ensure all requirements are met prior to payment being issued.

## **DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:**

Attachment 1 – Standard Contract  
Attachment 2 – Certificate of Insurance  
Attachment 3 – After the Fact Form  
Attachment 4 – Sole Source Justification