



### City of Largo Agenda Item 9

**Meeting Date**  
07/03/18

Presenter: Meridy Semones, OMB Manager

Department: AD – Administration

**TITLE:**

**ORDINANCE NO. 2018-62 - FIRST READING - AMENDING THE FY 2018 POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUND BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,200 FOR THE ADDITION OF 1.50 RESERVE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS, AND AMENDING THE PAY PLAN TO ADD A RESERVE SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER CLASSIFICATION**

In response to the Parkland, FL mass shooting at Marjorie Stoneman Douglas High School, on March 9, 2018 the governor signed into law the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Act-SB7026. Section 26 of SB 7026 mandates that a Safe School Officer (SSO) be assigned to each public school, which includes charter schools. A SSO is defined as a sheriff or police department employed law enforcement officer, or a school guardian (armed school personnel).

The City of Largo currently provides a total of five School Resource Officers (SRO) at: Largo High School (2); Largo Middle School (1); and Pinellas Gulf Coast Academy (2). Four of these positions are partially reimbursed by PCSB in the amount of \$58,000 per officer. The fifth (at Largo High) is paid fully by the City. The City Commission declined to participate in the expansion of the SRO program at the May 1, 2018 regular meeting due to lack of sufficient funding reimbursement from PCSB.

Since then, two charter schools, Pinellas Academy of Math & Science and Pinellas Preparatory Academy, have reached out to the Largo Police Department to request part-time Reserve SROs, and have offered to reimburse the full cost of the officers. A contract with each school is currently under review by the City Attorney's office.

PD is requesting to establish a Reserve SRO position in the pay plan, whereby retired (Largo or other agency) police officers can be employed by the City as SROs on a part-time, hourly basis. These positions would only receive the benefit of pro-rated health insurance, but not accrue retirement, sick or vacation leave. This program is in-line with the programs that many other departments across the state have in place (Coral Springs, Coconut Creek, Hallandale Beach).

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Budgeted Amount:	\$0.00	Budget Page No(s):	N/A	Available Amount:	\$0.00	Expenditure Amount:	\$51,200.00
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**Additional Budgetary Information:** The undesignated General Fund ending fund balance for FY 2017 is \$12.1 million.

Funding Source(s):	General Fund	Sufficient Funds Available:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Budget Amendment Required:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	Source:	General Fund Balance
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City Attorney Reviewed:	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> N/A	Advisory Board Recommendation:	<input type="radio"/> For <input type="radio"/> Against <input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A	Consistent With:	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/> N/A		Not Applicable
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**Potential Motion/Direction Requested:** I MOVE TO APPROVE/DISAPPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2018-62 ON FIRST READING AND SCHEDULE A SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING ON JULY 17, 2018.

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**Attachments:** Pages 2, Ordinance 2018-62.

**School Resource Officers – Page 2**

**SRO Program Costs:**

As represented in the cost table below, this budget amendment is authorizing the addition of 1.50 FTE Reserve School Resource Officer positions to PD, and associated personnel and operating costs (salaries, benefits, uniforms, equipment, etc.) from July 1 – September 30, as well as amending the pay plan to add the Reserve SRO classification. It is important to note that the costs for this program do not include the purchase of additional vehicles. PD will hold back two vehicles due for replacement this year to be used for the program. These vehicles are primarily parked at the schools during the day, and not used for regular patrol duties.

The FY 2019 column in the cost table below represents the estimated amount that will be included in the FY 2019 Proposed Budget to fund 1.50 FTE Police Officer Positions for the entire year. The costs would be entirely offset by revenue as agreed to in the proposed contract.

<b>Costs:</b>	<b>FY 2018</b>	<b>FY 2019</b>
<b>New Personnel</b>	\$38,000	\$126,100
<b>New Operating</b>	\$13,200	\$13,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$51,200</b>	<b>\$139,300</b>

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3 **ORDINANCE NO. 2018-62**

4 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LARGO, FLORIDA, AMENDING  
5 THE FY 2018 BUDGET ADOPTED BY RESOLUTION NO. 2194 BY  
6 APPROPRIATING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES IN THE  
7 AMOUNT OF \$51,200 IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT GENERAL  
8 FUND BUDGET FOR THE ADDITION OF 1.50 RESERVE SCHOOL  
9 RESOURCE OFFICER FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS, AND  
10 AMENDING THE PAY PLAN TO ADD A RESERVE SCHOOL  
11 RESOURCE OFFICER CLASSIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR AN  
12 EFFECTIVE DATE.

13 WHEREAS, the Largo City Commission adopted an Annual Operating Budget for FY 2018 when it  
14 adopted Resolution No. 2194; and

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16 WHEREAS, on March 9, 2018 the governor signed into law the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High  
17 School Public Safety Act, SB 7026, which mandates that a Safe School Officer (SSO) or School  
18 Resource Officer (SRO) be assigned to each public school, including charter schools; and

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20 WHEREAS, the Pinellas Academy of Math & Science and Pinellas Preparatory Academy, both  
21 charter schools, have requested the Largo Police Department to provide a SRO at their campuses; and

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23 WHEREAS, the City Commission wishes to amend the pay plan to create a new position entitled  
24 Reserve SRO to allow retired police officers to serve as SROs when available; and

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26 WHEREAS, both schools wish to enter into a contract with the City of Largo to fully reimburse the  
27 costs associated with the SROs beginning in July, 2018; and

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29 WHEREAS, a supplemental appropriation and allocation of funds for these SRO positions is in  
30 compliance with generally accepted accounting principles and the Largo City Charter.

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32 NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY OF LARGO CITY COMMISSION HEREBY ORDAINS:

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34 Section 1. That Resolution No. 2194 adopting the FY 2018 Operating and Capital Improvements Budget  
35 is hereby amended by appropriating revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$51,200 in  
36 the Police Department General Fund Budget for the addition of 1.50 Reserve School  
37 Resource Officer Full-Time Equivalent Positions, and amending the pay plan to add a  
38 Reserve School Resource Officer Classification.

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40 Section 2. That allocation of said funds shall be as follows:

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42 a. Revenue  
43 General Fund                      Unrestricted Fund Balance                      \$51,200  
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45 b. Expenditures  
46 01-521-3912-13                      Part-Time Wages                      \$38,000  
47 01-521-3912-52                      Operating Supplies                      \$13,200  
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50 Section 3. That the provisions of this ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and  
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SECOND AND FINAL READING \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF LARGO, FLORIDA

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Louis L. Brown, Mayor

REVIEWED AND APPROVED:

*Alan S. Zimmet*  
Alan S. Zimmet, City Attorney

ATTEST:  
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Diane Bruner, City Clerk