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DATE: November 4, 2019

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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: MOU between U.S. Customs and Border Protection and Goodyear Police Department at Goodyear Airport.

STAFF PRESENTER(S): Santiago Rodriguez, Acting Police Chief

OTHER PRESENTER(S): None

Summary: Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and Goodyear PD for assistance involving flights departing to or arriving from foreign destinations into Goodyear Airport.

Recommendation: Approve and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute an MOU for Goodyear PD to assist U.S. Customs and Border Protection with flights to and departing from international destinations at the Goodyear Airport.

Fiscal Impact: There is no new budget impact associated with this MOU that involves response by Goodyear PD.

Background and Previous Actions

The Homeland Security Act of 2002 gives a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officer authorization to call upon the Goodyear Police Department, if assistance is necessary, to assist with incidents at the Goodyear Airport. The proposed MOU outlines the responsibilities of Goodyear PD when called upon if such an incident requires law enforcement assistance. According the agreement and pursuant to federal law, Goodyear PD will assist CBP when necessary with the detention and arrests of passengers, restricting passengers from exiting international flights, and providing a K-9 officer as needed. Any assistance provided by Goodyear PD will be subject to available resources and staffing.

Staff Analysis

Staff recommends approving an MOU to assist U.S. Customs and Border Protection for flights to and departing from international destinations at Goodyear Airport. Staff has contacted the Goodyear Airport representative and has been advised that there are minimal flights per year which would require Goodyear PD assistance. This MOU memorializes what assistance is required and conditions any assistance upon available resources and staffing. This MOU will

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not be utilized for immigration enforcement. Its main focus is on incidents concerning the Goodyear Airport.

This MOU is effective as of November 5, 2019 and remains in effect indefinitely. Either party may terminate the agreement upon a 30-day written notice.

Attachments

Memorandum of Understanding

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