

REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION



CITY COUNCIL MEETING DATE:

DECEMBER 15, 2020

TITLE:

**ADOPT A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING
THE DONATION OF TWO POLICE K-9
VESTS FROM SOUTH COAST COLLEGE
FOR THE SANTA ANA POLICE
DEPARTMENT**

/s/ Kristine Ridge

CITY MANAGER

CLERK OF COUNCIL USE ONLY:

APPROVED

- ☐ As Recommended
- ☐ As Amended
- ☐ Ordinance on 1st Reading
- ☐ Ordinance on 2nd Reading
- ☐ Implementing Resolution
- ☐ Set Public Hearing For _____

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FILE NUMBER _____

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Adopt a resolution accepting the donation of two Police K-9 vests from South Coast College for the Santa Ana Police Department.

DISCUSSION

The Santa Ana Police Department K-9 Unit utilizes police service dogs trained specifically to assist with different patrol functions. The police service dogs serve as a valuable officer safety resource during tactical and high-risk situations. The police service dogs are utilized to find and apprehend violent suspects, providing officers with additional safety options when apprehending a suspect. In addition to enforcement duties, the K-9 Unit performs public relation activities that enhance the crucial bond between the Police Department and community members.

South Coast College, in collaboration with K-9 Armor, wishes to enhance the Santa Ana Police Department's K-9 Unit by donating two spike proof and bulletproof K-9 Armor vests for canines Mojo and Baldur. South Coast College community students, staff, faculty, and alumni joined to raise funds (\$3,400) to protect the life of our canine heroes.

K-9 Tactical Gear in Rocklin, California manufactures the vests. Their innovative design of Spike Level 2 and Bulletproof Level 2 panels provides superior protection, and the custom mesh inner breathable fabric allows the K-9's to wear the vests for long periods. The three spike proof and bulletproof panels provide protection for the dog's vital organs. Made of Kevlar, the vests are made to NIJ (National Institute of Justice) standards for police officers, and fitted to each dog, including SAPD patches.

Currently, the Santa Ana Police Department K-9 Unit has six apprehension canines, a bloodhound, and a therapeutic dog, none of which are equipped with an armored vest. This resolution will allow the K-9 Unit to equip two K-9's canines with armored vests. The approximate value of this donation is \$3,400.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this action.

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Submitted By: David Valentin, Chief of Police - Police Department

Exhibit: 1. Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-xxx

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA
ACCEPTING THE DONATION OF POLICE K-9 ARMORED VESTS FOR
THE SANTA ANA POLICE DEPARTMENT K-9 UNIT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA ANA AS
FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council of the City of Santa Ana hereby finds, determines
and declares as follows:

A. WHEREAS, the Santa Ana Police Department Canine Unit has six
apprehension canines and no armored vests; and

B. WHEREAS, members of the South Coast College community including
students, staff, faculty, and alumni raised funds in the amount of \$3400 to protect the lives
of the Santa Ana Canine Unit; and

C. WHEREAS, South Coast College, in collaboration with K9 Armor, wish to
donate two (2) spike proof and bulletproof K9 armor vests for Santa Ana Police canines
Mojo and Baldur; and

D. WHEREAS, the acceptance of this donation will enhance and enable the
Santa Ana Police Department's canines with armored vests.

Section 2. The City hereby accepts the donation of two (2) K9 Armor vests from
South Coast College to enhance and protect its K9 Unit.

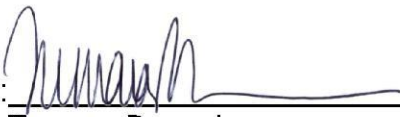
Section 3. If section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or word of this
Resolution is for any reason held to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such
decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution. The City
Council hereby declares that it would have passed and adopted this Resolution, and each
and all provisions hereof, irrespective of the fact that one or more provisions may be
declared invalid.

Section 4. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption by the
City Council, and the Clerk of the Council shall attest to and certify the vote adopting this
Resolution.

ADOPTED this _____ day of December, 2020.

Vicente Sarmiento
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
Sonia R. Carvalho, City Attorney

By: 

Tamara Bogosian
Sr. Assistant City Attorney

AYES: Councilmembers _____
NOES: Councilmembers _____
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers _____
NOT PRESENT: Councilmembers _____

CERTIFICATE OF ATTESTATION AND ORIGINALITY

I, DAISY GOMEZ, Clerk of the Council, do hereby attest to and certify the attached Resolution No. 2020-XXX to be the original resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Ana on _____.

Date: _____

Clerk of the Council
City of Santa Ana