



Staff Report

RESOLUTION RECINDING CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 10231 AUTHORIZING THE BELMONT POLICE DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SAN MATEO FOR THE USE OF THEIR FIRING RANGE

Honorable Mayor and Council Members:

Summary

Staff is requesting Council to rescind the prior resolution to enter into a one-year agreement with the City of San Mateo for the use of their firing range. This request comes as a result of correspondence that was received from the San Mateo County Sheriff's office after resolution 10231 was adopted. This correspondence indicated that the Sheriff's Department would be charging an hourly rate of \$50 for the use of their range, rather than a flat rate of \$3,000 for fiscal year 2010/2011. The \$50 flat rate will result in anticipated costs of \$1,200.

Background

For the last several years, the Belmont Police Department has utilized two locations for their firearms qualifications. Quarterly, officers qualify with their handguns at the Redwood City Police firing range. Semi-annually officers have qualified with patrol rifles at the Coyote Point firing range. Until recently, there has been no charge for the use of the Coyote Point range. Earlier this year the Police Department advised that the Sheriff's office would begin charging us a fee of \$3,000 to use their range for fiscal year 2010/2011. Because of budgetary concerns, the Police Department began looking at other options. San Mateo's newly built police station has a range that accommodates patrol rifles. At a rate of \$65 an hour, the Police Department found that we could cut the potential \$3,000 costs of rifle training by almost half. This was the reason we asked for council authorization to enter into the one year agreement with the City of San Mateo. However, the recent correspondence we received from the County of San Mateo indicated that they had abandoned the idea of a flat fee and would now be charging \$50 an hour.

Discussion

The Belmont Police Department has had a long relationship utilizing the firing ranges at the Redwood City Police Department and at the Coyote Point facility. These venues have worked well for us and we would like to continue using them. By continuing to use these two locations, we will be able to stay within budget and utilize these two preferred firing ranges.

Fiscal Impact

Continuing to utilize the range at Coyote Point for patrol rifle training will raise our range costs by \$1,200 a year but will remain within the budgeted amount for account 601-Crime Control & order Maintenance. Range costs are associated with 8351-Other Professional/Technical where \$12,000 has been budgeted for pistol and rifle qualification.

Public Contact

This item has been placed on the City Council agenda.

Recommendation

The staff recommends rescinding resolution 10231 which had authorized the Police Department to enter into an agreement with the City of San Mateo for the use of their firing range.

Alternatives

1. Deny the Resolution
2. Refer back to staff for further information.

Attachments

- A. Resolution

Respectfully submitted,

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RESOLUTION NO.

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELMONT
RESCINDING CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 10231 AUTHORIZING THE
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WHEREAS, with the adoption of Resolution 10231 at the May 11, 2010 City Council meeting, the City of Belmont authorized the Police Department to enter into an agreement with the City of San Mateo for the use of their firing range, and,

WHEREAS, subsequent to the passage of Resolution 10231, the Police Department received information from the Sheriff’s Office advising that anticipated range fees will be handled hourly, rather than a flat rate, and,

WHEREAS, this hourly rate offered by the Sheriff’s Office will meet the budgetary needs of the Police Department, and will be less than the cost of the San Mateo Firing range.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Belmont does hereby rescind City Council Resolution 10231 authorizing the Belmont Police Department to enter into an agreement with the City of San Mateo for the use of their firing range.

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution as duly and regularly passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Belmont at a regular meeting thereof held on June 8, 2010 by the following vote:

AYES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

NOES, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSTAIN, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

ABSENT, COUNCILMEMBERS: _____

CLERK of the City of Belmont

APPROVED:

MAYOR of the City of Belmont