

## COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

<b>DATE:</b>  05/20/2024	<b>SUBJECT: Resolution #2024-R-175</b>  <b>AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AND EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF LAREDO POLICE DEPARTMENT (LPD) AND THE BORDER REGION BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER, COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKER SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER PROGRAM (CARE) FOR THE PURPOSE OF NETWORKING, COORDINATING AND REFERRING INDIVIDUALS WITH SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS. THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S PARTICIPATION IS PART OF THE COMMUNITY SERVICE PROVIDED TO OUR CITIZENS AND OUR PARTNER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES WITH NO COST TO THE CITY OF LAREDO.</b>	
<b>INITIATED BY:</b> Joseph Neeb City Manager		<b>STAFF SOURCE:</b> Miguel A. Rodriguez, Jr. Chief of Police
<b>PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:</b> None.		
<b>BACKGROUND:</b>  Border Region Behavioral Health Center is a non-profit, tax-exempt contract agency of the State of Texas that is governed by a nine-member board of trustees appointed by the county commissioners' courts of Webb, Zapata, Jim Hogg, and Starr Counties.  The substance use disorder Community Health Worker (CHW) programs allow community health workers to increase linkage and retention of substance use, mental health, and medical services for Texas residents living with substance use disorders.		
<b>FINANCIAL IMPACT:</b> N/A		
<b>COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION:</b>		<b>STAFF RECOMMENDATION:</b> Recommends the approval of this Resolution.

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**Whereas**, the Laredo Police Department agrees to work in conjunction with Border Region Behavioral Health Center; and

Whereas, the Laredo Police Department agrees with the mission to enhance the quality of life in Laredo by establishing a partnership with the community to preserve life, protect property, and enforce the law; and

**Whereas**, the Chief of Police recommends the approval of this memorandum of understanding.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAREDO THAT:**

**Section 1:** Authorizing the City Manager to enter into and execute a memorandum of understanding between the City of Laredo Police Department (LPD) and the Border Region Behavioral Health Center, Community Health Worker Substance Use Disorder Program (CARE) for the purpose of networking, coordinating and referring individuals with substance use disorders. The Police Department's participation is part of the community service provided to our citizens and our partner law enforcement agencies with no cost to the City of Laredo.

PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AND APPROVED BY THE MAYOR ON THIS THE \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2024.

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DR. VICTOR D. TREVIÑO  
MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MARIO MALDONADO, JR.  
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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JOAQUIN A. RODRIGUEZ  
FIRST ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY