

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-110**

RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE EXPENDITURE IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$25,000.00 FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND-*STATE* FOR THE PURCHASE OF K9 EXPLOSIVE ODOR PURSUIT (EOP) TRAINING WHICH INCLUDES HANDLER'S COURSE, CERTIFICATION, AND MAINTENANCE, FROM METRO DADE K-9 SERVICES, AND WAIVING COMPETITIVE BIDDING AS IT IS ADVANTAGEOUS TO THE CITY, UPON SUCH COSTS HAVING BEEN APPROVED BY THE CHIEF OF POLICE, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Hialeah Police Department Canine Unit has canine handlers that utilize canine(s) to physically apprehend subjects, detect explosives, conduct searches of explosive materials near building exteriors, parking lots, office areas, malls, schools, vehicles, packages and persons in and around public building facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Hialeah Police Department Canine Unit has one (1) Explosive Odor Pursuit (EOP) canine specifically trained to detect various explosive and/or chemical compounds and said canine is certified in Explosive Odor Detection; and

**WHEREAS**, the handler of the EOP canine is not certified in EOP which is the main function of the canine; and

**WHEREAS**, upon completion of the K9 EOP Training, the handler will receive proper training and certification for handling the canine; such certification will be admissible evidence in court of law as to a showing of the handler's specialized knowledge, skill, and education to help the trier of fact to understand the evidence gathered by the canine and handler; and

**WHEREAS**, K9 EOP Training is readily available through Metro-Dade K-9 Services, a local vendor;

**WHEREAS**, Metro-Dade K-9 Services is a local vendor that has undergone a qualifications-based selection process in Miami-Dade County, Florida;

**WHEREAS**, Metro-Dade K-9 Services is certified as a canine handler with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and is also experienced in providing explosive detection training; and

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**WHEREAS**, Metro-Dade K-9 Services is an active corporation in good standing in the state of Florida and licensed by the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA); and

**WHEREAS**, the total cost for K9 EOP handler's course, certification, and maintenance is \$25,000; and

**WHEREAS**, funding for this project will be from account 105.1000.521.340 Law Enforcement Trust Fund-*State*; and

**WHEREAS**, Section 932.7055, Fla. Stat. (2018), the Florida Contraband and Forfeiture Act, authorizes the expenditure of Law Enforcement Trust Funds-*State* for this purpose and the funds are available in the Law Enforcement Trust Fund-*State* account for the Police Department; and

**WHEREAS**, the Chief of Police of the Hialeah Police Department has recommended adoption of this resolution and determined that the proposed expenditure complies with the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act, and all applicable rules, regulations and guidelines governing the expenditure of Law Enforcement Trust Fund-*State*; and

**WHEREAS**, the City finds the expenditure is in the public interest;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF HIALEAH, FLORIDA, THAT:

**Section 1:** The foregoing facts and recitations contained in the preamble to this resolution are hereby adopted and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

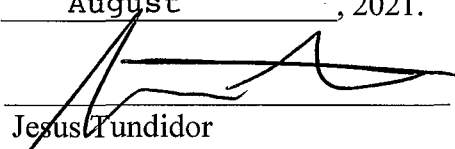
**Section 2:** The City of Hialeah, Florida hereby approves the expenditure of an amount not exceeding \$25,000.00 from the Law Enforcement Trust Fund-*State* for K9 Explosive Odor Pursuit (EOP) Training which includes handler's course, certification, and maintenance, from Metro Dade K-*Services*, upon such costs having been approved by the Chief of Police of the Hialeah Police Department having specifications and pursuant to the terms and conditions as set forth in "Exhibit 1."

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**Section 3:** This resolution shall become effective when approved by majority vote of the City Council and signed by the Mayor or at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, if the Mayor's signature is withheld or if the City Council overrides the Mayor's veto.

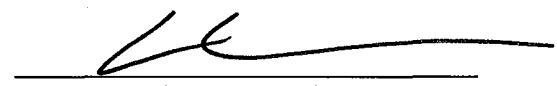
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 24 day of August, 2021.

  
Jesus Tundidor  
Council President

Attest:

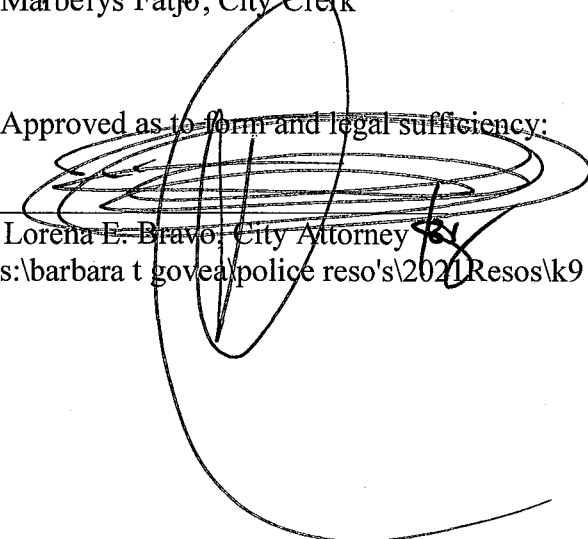
Approved on this 3 day of September, 2021.

  
Marbelys Fatjo, City Clerk

  
Mayor Carlos Hernandez

Resolution was adopted by 6-0-1 vote with Councilmembers, Cue-Fuente, De la Rosa, Garcia-Roves, Perez, Tundidor, and Zogby voting "Yes" and with Council Member Hernandez absent.

Approved as to form and legal sufficiency:

  
Lorena E. Bravo, City Attorney

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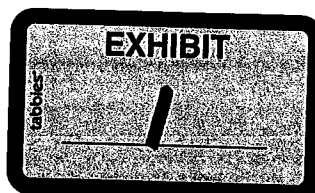


AUGUST 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2021

Hialeah Police Department  
C/O Commander E. Gutierrez

**HANDLER'S COURSE AND TRAINING CLASS FOR 1 EXPERIENCED K9 OFFICER WITH OWNED CANINE OF THE HIALEAH POLICE DEPARTMENT TO INCLUDE CANINE EXPLOSIVE DETECTION WITH CONVENTIONAL CERTIFICATION AND EXPLOSIVE ODOR PURSUIT (EOP) CERTIFICATION PLUS ONE YEAR MAINTENACE UPON CERTIFICATION**

- Completely Dually Trained for Explosives Detection (Conventional and Explosive Odor Pursuit)
- Canine will be trained on the following target odors:
  - RDX
  - PETN
  - TNT
  - DYNAMITE
  - BLACK POWDER
  - DOUBLE BASE SMOKLESS POWDER
  - AMMONIUM NITRATE
  - C4
  - WATERGEL
  - SAFETY FUSE
  - POTASSIUM CHLORATE
  - SODIUM CHLORATE
  - DETCORD
  - SINGLE BASE POWDERS
    - DNT / EC
- Handler course:
  - Explosive Ordinance Detection (EOD) Handler's Course:
    - Training will be provided as a team on Vehicles, Buildings, Lockers, Boxes, Luggage and stationary items.
  - Explosive Odor Pursuit (EOP) Handler's Course
    - Training will be provided as a team. Canine will achieve proficiency in identifying locating and alerting the handler to explosives odor in motion and follow odor to moving source.
- This will include instruction in the classroom as well as practical application in the field. This course will prepare the student to be a canine handler.



- **I. Obedience**

- A. Training in Drive
- B. Reward & Correction
- C. Practical Obedience Training
- D. Practical Agility Training
  1. Jumping & Climbing
  2. Slick Floors
  3. Open Stairs
  4. Escalators
  5. Elevators

- **II. Scent Work**

- A. Scent Theory
- B. Scent Discrimination (Negative Distractors)
  - 1. Scent Discrimination: The Multiple Imprint
  - 2. Distractors
- C. Explosives Detection
  - 1. Training Aids: preparation & Storage
  - 2. Mandatory Explosives
  - 3. Explosive Grouping
  - 4. Passive Alerts
  - 5. Proper way of rewarding K-9
  - 6. Primary vs. Secondary reward
  - 7. Vehicles
  - 8. Buildings
  - 9. Search Techniques
  - 10. Problem Solving
  - 11. Advanced Detection Issues
  - 12. Interdiction
  - 13. Contamination Issues
  - 14. Area Search
  - 15. Explosive Odor Pursuit
  - 16. High / Medium / Low Hides
- Upon completion Handler's will receive certification through IFRI and/or FLECA standards (SWGDOG) and/or NNDDA at Metro Dade K9 Services
- Maintenance Program for EOP® teams - Training will be once a week at vendors facility which is a local facility.
- Teams will work in conjunction with Metro Dade K9 Training staff on the following:
- Proper handling skills and search patterns.
- Assurance of each team proficiency on all EOD odors.
- Proven on all negative distractors to avoid false alerts (crucial for all explosive odor detection, but especially for EOP® teams).

- Preparation for teams for yearly dual certification which includes conventional and EOP® (this is a separate fee).
- Acclimating canines and teams to different environments such as training in malls, so they can perform wherever the needs may be if necessary.
- Troubleshooting any problems or concerns the handler may have when it comes their canine partner.

By keeping up with the maintenance training on a weekly basis and yearly certification, we not only give our teams the best support and the ability to success, it also shows the department has done everything they can to reduce a limit potential liability.

The cost of yearly maintenance training is \$5,000.00 each year (First Year included with included proposal)

Total for Handlers Course, Certification and Maintenance: \$25,000.00

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any further information.

Sincerely,  
Tony Guzman  
Metro Dade K9 Services

Read and accepted by:

*E. Gutierrez*

Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_

Title *K-9 COMMANDER*



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**"METRO DADE", "K-9"**

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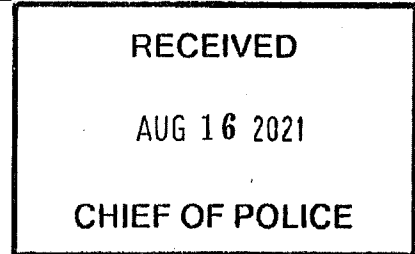
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# City of Hialeah

August 16, 2021

Honorable Mayor Carlos Hernandez  
And Council Members  
City of Hialeah  
Hialeah, Florida 33010



RE: K9 Explosive Odor Pursuit (EOP) Training

Dear Mayor and Council Members:

The Charter of Hialeah states that contracts in amounts greater than \$15,000.00 shall be awarded on the basis of specifications and formal sealed bids. The Council may award a contract to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, or it may reject all bids and re-advertise; or it may waive competitive bidding when it finds it to be the best interest of the City.

The Hialeah Police Department currently owns one Explosive Odor Pursuit (EOP) canine certified in Explosive Ordinance Detection (EOD). The canine handler is not certified in EOP which is the main function of the canine. The purpose of this course is to enhance the training and certification of the canine team. Once certified, the canine handler will be able to utilize the canine during events and in venues such as malls, and schools. Upon completion Handler's will receive certification through IFRI and/or FLECA standards (SWGDOG) and/or NNDDA at Metro Dade K9 Services.

Metro-Dade K9 Services is a local vendor certified as a canine handler with the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) for controlled substances and is also experienced in providing explosive detection training. Metro Dade K9 Services is currently listed as 1 of 2 vendors on a Miami-Dade County solicitation RTQ-01404 which runs from 01/01/2020 through 12/31/2024 for the purchase of trained canines and training.

The total for the handler's course, certification, and maintenance is \$25,000.00. The funding source for this expenditure will be the police law enforcement trust fund *State* account 105.1000.521340 Contractual Services. The purchase will be made via Metro Dade K9 Services. Metro Dade K9 Services is an active corporation and in good standing in the State of Florida.

Respectfully,

Sergio Velazquez  
Chief of Police

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED:   
Luis Suarez, Purchasing Manager 08/17/2021

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ines F. Beecher, OMB Director

APPROVED / DISAPPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carlos Hernandez, Mayor



**AFFIDAVIT**

I, Sergio Velazquez, Chief of Police, Hialeah Police Department, do hereby certify that the aforementioned request to expend funds from account #105.1000.521.340 L.E.T.F. *State* in a total amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 for k9 explosive odor pursuit training.

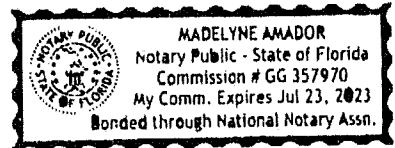
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Sergio Velazquez  
Chief of Police

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 16 day of August 2021

(Notary Seal)

Signature of Notary Public, State of Florida

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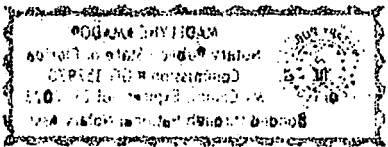


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