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ISSUE STATEMENT

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Issue

Authorize the police chief to enter into a contract with the City of Hudson Police Department for additional police patrol coverage during the 2019 Pepper Festival weekend due to NHPD staffing levels.

Background

- NHPD has traditionally had the entire department working during the three (3) day festival.
- Since 2013, the department has had two (2) officers assigned to the Pepper Festival grounds and two (2) officers assigned to patrol and response to calls for service in the rest of the Village.
- After the grounds close, all NHPD officers were assigned to patrol and call response due to the volume of people and transient nature of the festival participants.
- Hudson Police Officers assisted with patrol coverage during the 2018 Pepper Festival due to staffing shortages at NHPD.

Present Information

- The current staffing level of the NHPD has been reduced by one (1) due to the resignation of the patrol sergeant in late April 2019.
- Hudson Police Chief Geoff Willems has agreed to contract with the Village for one Patrol Officer to cover shifts each day during the Pepper Festival to assist with patrol and calls for service.
- The contract rate for a Hudson Patrol Officer is \$72.18/hr., so the estimated cost for the weekend's additional coverage is \$1,660.14.
- The police department budget has adequate funds to cover the contract costs due to the current vacancy.

Recommendation

Authorize Chief Richert to enter into a contract with the City of Hudson Police Department for additional police patrol coverage during the 2019 Pepper Festival weekend due to NHPD staffing levels.

Suggested Motion

"I move to authorize Chief Richert to enter into a contract with the City of Hudson Police Department for additional police patrol coverage during the 2019 Pepper Festival weekend due to NHPD staffing levels."