

Agenda Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members
Prepared By: Ashley Velazquez, Administrative Assistant
From: Bryan Cobb, City Manager
Date: August 21, 2023
Subject: Recognition of SRO Ashley Pierce and Police Comfort K-9 Xander

Procedure: Presentation/Ceremonial

Introduction: This is a request for City Council to recognize School Resource Officer (SRO) Ashley Pierce and Police Comfort K-9 Xander for receiving second place in the Aftermath Services' national grant competition.

Discussion: Police Comfort K-9 Xander was entered in the Aftermath Services' K-9 Grant Competition in May of 2023. The winners are based on the number of votes each entry receives on social media. The community rallied behind Xander and SRO Pierce and took to social media to vote. The community support resulted in Xander receiving 2nd place out of 100's of other law enforcement and first responder agencies nationwide.

Aftermath Services is a professional biohazard and crime scene cleanup service that provides services to families, employers, and communities nationwide. Aftermath Services awards grants to law enforcement and first-responder agencies nationwide to help agencies with the costs associated with creating, running, and maintaining a K-9 unit.

Budget Impact: A representative from Aftermath Services will present a check to SRO Pierce and K-9 Xander in the amount of \$1,000 for placing second in their nationwide grant competition.

Strategic Impact: Be one of the safest communities in the region.

Recommendation: It is recommended that City Council recognize SRO Pierce and K-9 Xander for receiving second place in the Aftermath Services' national grant competition.

Attachment(s): None.