



Peoria Police Department

To: Honorable Mayor Ali and City Council Members
From: Jack Niekirk, Police Technology Administrator
Date: Tuesday, October 12th, 2021
Subject: Request for Inclusion of Research Partner, Dr. E Anthony White

The Peoria Police Department has elected to include a Research Partner, specifically, Dr. E. Anthony White in the Peoria Police Department Data Sharing Initiative Project under the 2020 BJA Strategies in Policing Innovation Grant (SPI). Dr. White is a Professor of Criminal Justice at Illinois Central College with an extensive background in Law Enforcement and partnership with the Peoria Police Department. As you will see in his enclosed resume, Dr. White prepared the 2018 Report *Reducing Gun Violence; The Perceptions of Those Who Experience or Commit Acts of Gun Violence* for the Peoria Police Department and the Violence Reduction Governing Board to Reduce Violent Crimes Committee. We believe Dr. White is an excellent local resource for partnership in our Project and wish to on-board him as soon as possible with your approval.

Upon Council approval, the City of Peoria will contract with Dr. White for his services as a Research Partner for \$50,000 over the remaining performance period of the Grant. The funds will be paid from SPI Grant Funding specifically allocated towards the acquisition of a Research Partner. Dr. White's role will be to work with Peoria Police Department Crime Analyst Jacob Moushon in the preparation, planning, and executing of analysis of our project's effect on violent and gun related crime in our community over the performance period. Dr. White will work with Mr. Moushon on completion and formulation of our Action Plan, assisting in Quarterly review meetings, gathering and quantifying data related to our project, assistance in preparation of performance reports and preparation of the final project report.

Please review Dr. White's enclosed resume, as well as the attached contract and advise if you have any questions, concerns or need additional documentation.

Respectfully submitted,

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