



CITY OF SAINT PAUL

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MEMORANDUM TO COUNCIL

TO: Mayor and City Council Members

FROM: Phillip A. Zavadil, City Manager

CC: Aubrey Wegeleben, City Clerk; Stephanie Mandregan, Finance Director

DATE: May 11, 2023

RE: Ordinance 23-03

SUMMARY: On May 16, 2022 City Council approved Resolution 23-14, which authorized the memorandum of agreement (MOA) between the Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association and City of Saint Paul for placing up to two Village Public Safety Officers (VPSO) in our community. This resolution specified that the City Manager was to prepare an amendment to the City Code of Ordinances (CCO) for City Council review to address use of VPSO services. This ordinance provides for the amendment necessary to the CCO.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION: On May 16, 2022 City Council approved Resolution 23-14.

BACKGROUND AND DISCUSSION: The City Manager worked with the City's legal counsel to come up with language in the CCO, specifically Chapter 8.05 that would allow for the City to contract out public safety services such as participation in the VPSO program.

In 2021, the City contracted with Delta Medical Transport to provide EMS services to our community after losing EMS staff due to the employee COVID-19 vaccination requirement.

The proposed language amendment in Chapter 8.05 would authorize the City to contract out public safety services, which include law enforcement, EMS, fire, and emergency dispatch.

ALTERNATIVES: Council could choose not to amend CCO Chapter 8.05, however then the City would not be able to contract out public safety services or participate in the VPSO program.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS: Changes to CCO Chapter 8.05 have no effect on City finances.

LEGAL: The City's legal counsel has reviewed the suggested revisions to CCO Chapter 8.05 and has assisted with drafting the language for these revisions.

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATION: City administration recommends approval of this ordinance.

PROPOSED MOTION: I move to approve first reading Ordinance 23-03.

ATTACHMENTS: Ordinance 23-03, CCO Chapter 8.05, Department of Public Safety.