

City of Ann Arbor

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Resolution in Support of an RFP Issuance for the Unarmed Response Program

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Whereas, The Ann Arbor City Council supports the residents of the community who desire an

alternative option when seeking crisis intervention;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor City Council has consistently supported the creation of an Unarmed Response (UR) Program;

Whereas, The most feasible way to implement a UR program is to accomplish it through a contracted third party agreement;

Whereas, City Council supports creating the UR program in a manner that intentionally lacks a direct or indirect linkage to the Ann Arbor Police Department;

Whereas, The Ann Arbor City Council supports the establishment of a separate phone number for those residents wishing to access this service;

Whereas, The City Council recognizes the importance of transparency and would require periodic reports detailing the results of the service delivery;

Whereas, The selected contractor(s) will be expected to work with the administration where appropriate to pursue relevant funding; and

Whereas, The selected contractor, and the City will need to collaborate to help educate the public on the existence of the program and the services it provides;

RESOLVED, The Ann Arbor City Council directs the City Administrator to take the necessary steps to issue an RFP aimed at procuring a third party to implement an Unarmed Response program; and

RESOLVED, The Ann Arbor City Council directs the City Administrator to obtain periodic reports from the contractor on the results of the program.

Sponsored by: Mayor Taylor and Councilmembers Ghazi Edwin, Harrison, Radina, Song, Akmon, Cornell, Disch, Eyer and Briggs