

POLICE MEMORANDUM
#10-2021

DATE: April 26, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor Meredith Leighty and City Council Members

THROUGH: Heather Geyer, City Manager *Hmg*

FROM: James S. May, Jr., Chief of Police *JSM*
Ron Osgood, Commander

SUBJECT: CR-47 – Adams County Sheriff's Office Mutual Aid Agreement for Speed Enforcement Saturation Patrols

PURPOSE

To consider CR-47, a resolution approving a Mutual Aid Agreement that formally requests the Northglenn Police Department provide officers and equipment for speed enforcement saturation patrols in a collaborative effort to discourage street racing.

BACKGROUND

Street racing has become a public safety concern for the City of Northglenn, Adams County, and the Denver metro area. Street racing is an illegal and dangerous activity that shows a complete disregard for roadway safety and puts residents' lives at risk. Two recent incidents in Northglenn, one involving a shooting and another a rollover accident, were directly tied to speed racing.

Not only is there a public safety concern associated with street racing, but there is also a nuisance problem for the neighborhoods, especially those bordering Interstate 25, Huron Street, Melody Drive, and Washington Street, because of the extremely loud noises associated with street racing.

The Police Department's goals for participating in the Mutual Aid Agreement are to:

- Save lives through education, mitigation, and positive enforcement
- Reduce the number of speed-related crashes
- Increase media participation to publicize proactive enforcement

Agencies participating in the Mutual Aid Agreement include:

- Adams County Sheriff's Office
- Brighton Police Department
- Broomfield Police Department
- Colorado State Patrol
- Commerce City Police Department
- Federal Heights Police Department
- Northglenn Police Department
- Thornton Police Department
- Westminster Police Department

Speed enforcement saturation patrols would be conducted from April 2021 through September

2021 throughout the North Metro area, per the agreement. A designated area would be mutually determined each week by the participating agencies where the car clubs tend to congregate. The participating agencies would conduct saturation patrols to contact the suspected racers in those designated areas. If racers are contacted in clearly marked public/private properties with “no trespassing” signage, they can be issued a summons for Colorado Revised Statutes § 18-4-504 (1) Criminal Trespass Third Degree. When no street racers are present, this group would work a designated hotspot for traffic enforcement to focus on speeding.

The Mutual Aid Agreement would allow police officers from outside jurisdictions to have the same authority in the jurisdictions included in the Agreement.

Colorado Crime Information Analysis Center

The Colorado Crime Information Analysis Center (CIAC) is a State agency that analyzes and shares threat and hazard-related information with local law enforcement partners and will be utilized by agencies in this Mutual Aid Agreement. CIAC helps monitor car club social media accounts to provide details, and reference locations and gatherings for each club. CIAC has implemented a website, <http://reportstretracing.com>, which allows residents to report anonymous tips and illegal street racing activity to thwart the threat.

BUDGET/TIME IMPLICATIONS

The Police Department would provide one to two officers for up to three nights per weekend event, through the end of September 2021, as staffing permits. The costs would be absorbed through the Police Department’s 2021 overtime budget.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of CR-47 that, if approved, would authorize the Mayor to execute the Mutual Aid Agreement on behalf of the City.

STAFF REFERENCE

If Council members have any comments or questions, they may contact:

- James S. May, Jr., Chief of Police, at jmay@northglenn.org or 303.450.8967
- Ron Osgood, Commander, at rosgood@northglenn.org or 303.450.8968

SPONSORED BY: MAYOR LEIGHTY

COUNCILMAN'S RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION NO.

No. CR-47
Series of 2021

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT REGARDING SPEED ENFORCEMENT SATURATION PATROLS

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTHGLENN, COLORADO, THAT:

Section 1. The Mutual Aid Agreement between the Adams County Sheriff's Office, the cities of Brighton Police Department, Broomfield Police Department, Commerce City Police Department, Federal Heights Police Department, Northglenn Police Department, Thornton Police Department, Westminster Police Department, and the Colorado State Patrol, attached hereto, regarding the temporary assignment of police officers and equipment to conduct speed enforcement saturation patrols is hereby approved and the Mayor is authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

DATED at Northglenn, Colorado, this _____ day of _____, 2021.

MEREDITH LEIGHTY
Mayor

ATTEST:

JOHANNA SMALL, CMC
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

COREY Y. HOFFMANN
City Attorney



Sheriff Richard A. Reigenborn

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March 31st, 2021

To listed Chiefs of Police:

Mutual Aid Agreement for temporary duty in Adams County Colorado on 01, April, 2021, through 03, September, 2021, with the cities of Brighton Police Department, Broomfield Police Department, Colorado State Patrol, Commerce City Police Department, Federal Heights Police Department, Northglenn Police Department, Thornton Police Department and Westminster Police Department.

Pursuant to CRS section 42-4-1105, I am formally requesting officers and equipment from your respective departments be temporarily assigned to the Adams County Sheriff's Office to conduct Speed Enforcement saturation patrols for Speed Contests throughout Adams County on 01, April, 2021, beginning at 0000 hours through 03, September, 2021, at 0000 hours, or until such a time as necessary to complete the duties associated with this temporary assignment.

All law enforcement officers assigned to the operation shall be under the immediate command of their agency's personnel. Sergeant Michael Miller of the Adams County Sheriff's Office will provide direct supervision and command of the agency's supervisors.

Respectfully requested,

Richard A. Reigenborn, or Designee

Paul Southard or designee
Chief of Police
Brighton, Colorado

Gary Creager or designee
Chief of Police
Broomfield, Colorado

Clinton Nichols or designee
Chief of Police
Commerce City, Colorado

Col. Matthew Packard or designee
Chief of State Patrol
Commerce City, Colorado

Don Vallero or designee
Chief of Police
Federal Heights, Colorado

Meredith Leighty or designee
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