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**CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH – MEMORANDUM**

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**TO:** HON. MAYOR, CHAIRPERSON AND CITY COUNCIL

**THROUGH:** JONATHAN EVANS, CITY MANAGER, MPA, MBA, ICMA-CM

**FROM:** ORIE BULLARD, JUSTICE SERVICE CENTER DIRECTOR

**SUBJECT:** **INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT 2020-2021**

**DATE:** OCTOBER 21, 2020

**CC:** GENERAL PUBLIC

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**Background:**

On September 21, 2006, the Board of County Commissioners approved funding to initiate partnerships with cities to implement the Youth Violence Prevention Project. As a result of these partnerships, the Justice Service Center was established in Riviera Beach. The Justice Service Center also known as The Reentry Center is a human services initiative that provides services to ex-offenders returning to the community. These services include: Non-traditional Case Management, Job Readiness Training, Educational Assistance, Employment Assistance, Transportation Assistance, Expunge/Sealing of Records, Restoration of Civil Rights, Identification Assistance, Transitional Housing, Cognitive Behavioral Interventions, Moral Reconciliation Therapy, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Assistance, and other support services as needed.

The Center opened in February 2007 with the goal of “empowering communities through restoration”. The Reentry Center focuses on promoting community growth and alleviating the burden of recidivism on the Riviera Beach community and Palm Beach County at large. To date, essential services have been provided to over 1500 men and women returning from incarceration.

At this time, Palm Beach County is providing the City with funds totalling \$321,069 to support the City’s reentry support services to include salaries and benefits for three (3) full-time Case Managers who are responsible for administering such human/social services.



**Citywide Goal:**

This Item incorporates the citywide goals of strengthening community engagement and building great neighborhoods.

**Budget/Fiscal Impact:**

Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners will provide program funding through the Palm Beach County Public Safety Department in the amount of \$321,069 to the City of Riviera Beach Justice Service Center.

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff recommends approval of the Resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with Palm Beach County Board of County Commissioners for the continuation of reentry efforts facilitated by the Justice Service Center.

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution to approve Interlocal Agreement
2. Interlocal Agreement

