

**RESOLUTION 20-44**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH, FLORIDA, SITTING AS THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST BOARD; AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURES FROM THE LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND FOR K-9 HANDLER TRAINING COURSE FOR ONE OFFICER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATELY EFFECTIVE DATE.

**WHEREAS**, the Law Enforcement Trust Fund is a special fund that can only be used for purposes designated by Section 932.7055(5)(a), Florida Statutes, such as crime prevention, safe neighborhoods, protracted investigations, technical equipment and community relations programs; and

**WHEREAS**, after July 1, 1992, and during every fiscal year thereafter, any local law enforcement agency that acquires at least \$15,000 pursuant to the Florida Contraband Forfeiture Act within a fiscal year must expend or donate no less than 25% of such proceeds for the support or operation of any drug treatment, drug abuse education, drug prevention, safe neighborhood, or school resource officer programs; and

**WHEREAS**, the police department recommends a portion of the funds be appropriated for law enforcement purposes related to providing additional expertise to the City's police department by certifying a city officer as a K9 handler; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council finds that this expenditure satisfies the statutory requirements for use of Law Enforcement Trust Funds, and approves the expenditure of those funds for the requested purpose.

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Panama City Beach, sitting as the Law Enforcement Trust Board, that the appropriate officers of the City are authorized to use Law Enforcement Trust Funds for an eight week K-9 patrol handler course provided by Greg Cole, in the amount of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00), on substantially the terms and specifications of the proposal attached and presented to the Council today, draft dated December 5, 2019.

**THIS RESOLUTION** shall be effective immediately upon passage.


**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** in regular session this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2020.

**CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH**

By: 

Mike Thomas, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Mary Jan Bossert, City Clerk

**Subject: Contract for Services Rendered**

This is a contract entered into by Greg Cole (hereinafter referred to as "the provider") and the Panama City Beach Police Department (hereinafter referred to as "the client") on this date 5 December 2019,

The provider's address is 128 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Wewahitchka, Fl. 32465 and the client's place of business is 17115 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach, Fl. 32413

The client hereby engages the provider to provide services described herein under "Scope and Manner of Services". The provider hereby agrees to provide the client with such services in exchange for consideration described herein under "Payment for Services Rendered".

**Scope and Manner of Services:** All services rendered will be determined and processed by the provider.

**Services to be Rendered by the Provider:**

1. Teach the K9 handler a K9 handler's course
2. Train the client's K9 team in the disciplines of basic and advanced obedience
3. Train the K9 team in the discipline of the detection of illicit drugs to generally accepted industry standards
4. The dog shall be trained in narcotic detection for the odors of marijuana, cocaine, heroin and methamphetamine
5. Train the client's K9 team in basic K9 team patrol, to include the following functions:
  - a. aggression/criminal apprehension (a bite and hold concept will be taught)
  - b. aggression control
  - c. handler protection
  - d. area search concepts
  - e. building search concepts
  - f. vehicle and other search concepts
  - g. article/evidence search concepts
  - h. tactical strategies
6. The dog shall be trained to conform to or exceed the standards set forth by the Fl. Dept. of Law Enforcement, the National Narcotic Detector Dog Association and the North American Police Work Dog Association.
7. The provider reserves the right to reject the handler. If this occurs, the client shall be given opportunity to select another handler for the dog.
8. Training of the K9 team will begin on a date agreed on by both parties and will be for a duration of 320 hours/8 weeks at the discretion of the provider.
9. Onsite training of the K9 team will be performed in and around Gulf and Bay County, Florida.

**Payment for Services Rendered:**

1. The client shall pay the provider for services rendered, according to the payment agreement, the sum of \$8,000.00.
2. Payment is due upon completion of training, unless other arrangements are agreed on.
3. All materials and equipment needed by the K9 team will be provided by the client.
4. Costs, dues and other fees for NNDDA, NAPWA, or other K9 associations sought for certification are the responsibility of the client, and certification processes for the K9 team are not included in the terms of this contract.

**Liability statement:** dog training and the handling, or working with dogs, requires strenuous activity and has inherent dangers associated with working with animals. The client shall, for the full duration of agreed upon contract, hold free and harmless for any/all liability pertaining to any injury to, or death of, the handler or the dog as a result of participating during services being processed by the provider.

This contract shall be governed by the laws of the counties of Gulf and Bay in the state of Florida and any applicable Federal law.

In witness:

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Client or agent (printed) Holly J WHITE  
Provider or agent (printed) Clyde A. Cole  
Client or agent signature Holly J. White date \_\_\_\_\_  
Provider or agent signature Clyde A. Cole date 12-5-2019

Greg Cole began his law enforcement and dog training career upon joining the United States Air Force in 1976. A graduate of the DOD Dog Training Center in 1977, he subsequently served as a security policeman and K9 handler at Loring Air Force Base, 42 Bomb Wing, Strategic Air Command. He handled 3 different patrol dogs and gained his first experiences with narcotics and explosive detection dogs. After working a year as the dog trainer at Thunder Bay Inc. in Clearwater, Florida, he and his family moved to Gulf County Florida in 1984. In 1985 he trained and handled the county's first police dog in the fields of patrol, tracking, area search, evidence recovery, building search, and narcotics detection, thus establishing the county's first K9 unit. He also served as a school resource officer, DARE officer, narcotics and criminal investigator, patrol supervisor, trainer and training coordinator, a founding officer of the department's Honor Guard and was a founding officer of the department's SWAT team serving as assistant team leader and firearms instructor. As the K9 trainer and supervisor he maintained charge of a six dog team unit and trained a total of sixteen K9 teams for the Department. His dog teams maintained state and national standards in fields spanning patrol, tracking, building and area search, article search/evidence recovery, vehicle search, narcotics and human remains detection. All of his K9 teams maintained certifications through organizations such as the United States Police Canine Association (USPCA), the North American Police Work Dog Association (NAPWDA), the National Narcotics Detector Dog Association (NNDDA) and the National Network of Canine Detection Services (NNCDS). Greg was also called upon to assist in the training of many other local and state agencies' K9 units and is a Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) K9 Subject Matter Expert (SME). He has also served as the police K9 operations trainer and adviser for the Gulf Coast State College Criminal Justice program. Greg retired from the Gulf County Sheriff's Office in 2013. Establishing J-Max K9 Training and Services, Greg continues services to the Gulf County Sheriff's Office as their K9 trainer and advisor. He is also K9 trainer and advisor for the Port St. Joe Police Department. He entered into the realm of search and rescue in 2005 training his two Labrador Retrievers as specialty human remains detection canines, working land and water. Serving the law enforcement and civilian communities, both dogs became known for their successes in the field. In 2009, Greg and his dog Maximus were recognized for their performance in the field by the United States Army, while serving the military in the search for their missing in Iraq. Greg is a member of the KLaasKIDS Foundation Search Center for missing and trafficked children, serving as a K9 handler and K9 instructor. Greg has received an award from the foundation in recognition of steadfast dedication and perseverance in his work to stop crimes against children. Greg continues to serve local, state, and national organizations as a K9 handler, instructor, and evaluator. He served as an instructor for the Western Carolina University (WCU) advanced cadaver dog program, and is an instructor with HRD Specialized K9 Training, established 2002. Greg is a Master Trainer and Evaluator, and serves as First Vice President, for the National Network of Canine Detection Services (NNCDS). He is also a Master Trainer with the K9 Sensus Foundation. Greg trained and is currently working his third labrador retriever, K9 Sloopy, a specialty human remains detection K9 team, performing forensic recovery on land and water. He maintains current certifications with Sloopy through the National Narcotic Detector Dog Association (NNDDA) and the National Network of Canine Detection services (NNCDS).

**References:**

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