

Request for Funding from the  
Special Committee on Social Justice and Community Investment  
to Support the Work of the “**Safer Together**” Series of Workshops

January 25, 2021

Councilmember Joyce Morgan, D1

Councilmember Michael Boylan, D6

On October 23, 2020 Council President Hazouri issued a memorandum charging CM’s Morgan and Boylan to conduct a series of community workshops to serve as an opportunity for “(subject matter) experts to share their knowledge with members of this body and the general public, and an opportunity for individuals to share the experiences which shaped their attitude regarding our policing community.” He goes on to state that “these workshops will be fact finding in nature with the goal of fostering constructive dialogue about the challenges, successes, and opportunities available to us to make this a safer community for all our citizens.” The results and recommendations of the Safer Together workshops will be provided in a report to the Council at the July 27, 2021 Council meeting.

**Funding Request #1 - \$23,500**

Professional Support Services – So as to provide both Council members (and others on the Council) the opportunity to focus on the presentations and assure ongoing oversight of the series, CM’s Morgan and Boylan determined it would be necessary to retain professional support to serve as moderators of the workshops and administrators of the process overall. To that end they have been seeking such support, with the assistance of Ms. Bobbie O’Connor and have subsequently identified **All Things Diverse** as the best candidate to provide such services, the principles of which we find to be amply qualified to serve in this role. Their proposal for services is attached.

**Funding Request #2 - \$10,000**

Subject Matter Expert(s) Honoraria and Accommodations – While not specifically identified at this point, they believe it’s important that we have the wherewithal to engage the most experienced experts to provide us with the insight and guidance necessary to achieve our stated goal. The allocation of \$10,000 will provide us with the latitude to offer an honorarium to such experts and the opportunity to cover any travel and accommodation expenses should we deem it necessary for them to join us in person.

**Funding Request #3 - \$2,500**

Miscellaneous Expenses – Again while not specifically identified at this time, it is anticipated that there will be miscellaneous expenses associated with the preparation and hosting of the workshops. These could range from meeting supplies and presentation materials, light refreshments and any fees associated with hosting the meetings either by Zoom or in person.