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MEMORANDUM

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TO: THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF CITY COUNCIL

FROM: JAMES F. PARAJON, CITY MANAGER   /s/

DOCKET TITLE:
Consideration of a Resolution Designating the City's representative to the Proposed Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) School Law Enforcement Partnership (SLEP) Advisory Group

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ISSUE: Consideration of the designation of a City representative to the proposed Alexandria City Public Schools (ACPS) School Law Enforcement Partnership (SLEP) Advisory Group with the following criteria: The member has experience in either law enforcement, black male achievement, criminal justice reform and/or community engagement.

RECOMMENDATION: That City Council designate Christopher Lewis to the proposed ACPS SLEP Advisory Group.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of the SLEP Advisory Group is to:

- Support ACPS's commitment to the safety and security of students and staff through the review of the partnership between ACPS and Alexandria Police Department (APD);

- Provide recommendations to the School Board (via the Superintendent) on innovative approaches, areas for policy changes, or enhancements to reimagine the partnership; and

- Promote communication between families, students, ACPS staff and administration, safety professionals, members of the School Board and City Council, and the community on the partnership with APD.

DISCUSSION: The composition of the proposed SLEP Advisory Group will consist of 16 members, evenly distributed between ACPS staff and Non-ACPS staff. External facilitation will be provided to promote neutrality in the process. Three subcommittees within the SLEP Advisory Group to are the (1) Research

Subcommittee; (2) Communication and Community Outreach Subcommittee and (3) Memorandum of Understanding Subcommittee. Staff is recommending the designation of Christopher Lewis to the proposed SLEP Advisory Group.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ATTACHMENTS: None.

STAFF:
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