



# MEMORANDUM

Council Agenda  
Item No. IX. BX  
8/29/2023

## The City of OKLAHOMA CITY

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Craig Freeman, City Manager

Resolution approving Lease Agreement for office space for the Police Department's Reality Based Training Unit, estimated cost \$96,000, September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024; and authorizing execution of necessary documents.

### **Background:**

The Reality Based Training Unit (RBT) was created in 2021 for purposes of providing advanced and realistic training for police officers. Since inception, RBT has conducted sector-based training for the entire Operations Bureau, which is mainly made up of patrol officers. Specific unit training has also been conducted for K9 officers, the Street Narcotics Unit, the Violent Crime Apprehension Team, and the divisional Crime Units. Every officer in Operations as well as every recruit academy class has been trained by RBT in de-escalation and critical decision-making model known around the country as ICAT (Implementing Communication Assessment & Tactics). In 2023, the RBT trained all personnel in the State's mandated Active Threat Training (LASER) and in Police/Fire Joint Rescue Response.

The RBT has outgrown the current office area and training space, currently a 1,100sqft area at the Police Training Center. The new location provides additional training space, a storage room, and an office area required by RBT instructors and supervisor. The new location provides room to grow with an increased capability for innovation for the most retainable, current, and realistic training.

The new RBT training location is near the office facility of the Criminal Interdiction Team of Central Oklahoma (CITCO), a location not publicly disclosed for the safety and security of team members and their vehicles. Due to the close proximity of the new RBT training location to the CITCO office facility, staff requests the lease agreement not be attached to the agenda item and the Mayor be authorized to execute the agreement so as to not publicly disclose the location of this facility as well.

### **Review:**

Police Department

**Recommendation:** Resolution be adopted.