

Mayor and Council Communication

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LOG NAME: 36TCCD FIRE TRAINING INTERLOCAL

SUBJECT

Authorize the Execution of Interlocal Agreement with the Tarrant County College District, Increase Estimated Receipts in the Grants Other Fund in the Amount of \$850,000.00, and Adopt Appropriation Ordinance (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Interlocal Agreement Between Tarrant County College District and the City of Fort Worth for Public Safety Institute Training;
 2. Increase Receipts in the Grants Other Fund effective June 1, 2019, by committing all revenues generated and received through Public Safety Institute Training activities into the Fund to be used solely for Fire Training expenditures and operating costs as required in the agreement; and
 3. Adopt the attached appropriation ordinance increasing estimated receipts and appropriations in the Grants Other Fund in the amount of \$850,000.00, subject to receipt of the revenue.
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DISCUSSION:

The Tarrant County College District (TCCD) and City of Fort Worth Fire Department (FWFD) seek to enter into a training agreement to utilize the TCCD Fire Service Training Center (FSTC) and the City of Fort Worth's Bob Bolen Public Safety Center (BBPSC) as dual agency facilities aimed at creating synergy and developing a Tarrant County enhanced Fire Training partnership, otherwise known as the Public Safety Institute.

This agreement is to assist the City, acting by and through FWFD, in the development and implementation of a training program that provides FWFD employees with opportunities to pursue higher education, State Certification classes, and receive college credit for instruction completed. The types of training that may be offered are Academy Certification, Professional Development/Texas Commission on Fire Protection (TCFP) Certification classes, and Continuing Education classes.

TCCD will remit to FWFD reimbursement for FWFD costs related to educational and instructional expenses, not to exceed \$150,000 per year. Compensation will be calculated at 30% of the State's reimbursement schedule for public community colleges and shall be paid out on a quarterly basis for the amount of contact hours for that quarter. This reimbursement will be used by FWFD to support and maintain training functions at the Bob Bolen Public Safety Complex. An appropriation of \$850,000 will permit the receipt and expenditure of revenue for multiple years without requiring further Council action.

The FWFD will provide up to thirty 8-hour days of facility usage per year conducted at the Bob Bolen Public Safety Center (BBPSC), including two instructors per day to operate simulation equipment. Facility usage can include but is not limited to the following: Live Fire courses, Fire In-Service, High Rise Drills, Hazardous Materials CE, Water Rescue, and Technical Rescue Team (TRT) training. Instructional staff for these courses will consist of instructors approved by Fort Worth Fire Department (FWFD). Additional FWFD instructional staff may be added upon request or based on class demands at a predetermined cost. Indirect costs are not included in this grant. (ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS)

A Form 1295 is not required for this contract because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Tarrant County College District

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that, upon approval of the above recommendations and adoption of the attached ordinance, funds will be available, as appropriated, in the Grants Other Fund. The Fire Department has the responsibility for the collection and deposit of funds due to the City under this Agreement, and is also responsible for ensuring the availability of funds before incurring any obligation. This is an advance funding agreement.

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