City of Fort Worth, Texas Mayor and Council Communication

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SUBJECT

(ALL) Authorize Execution of Fire Services Mutual and Automatic Aid Interlocal Agreements with the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council authorize the execution of Interlocal Agreements with Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth formalizing fire services Mutual and Automatic Aid Agreements.

DISCUSSION:

The City of Fort Worth and the Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth Fire Departments have agreed in principle to Mutual and Automatic Aid Agreements for fire services.

The Texas Government Code, Chapter 791, authorizes local government entities to enter into Interlocal Agreements for fire services. Neighboring fire departments often enter into Mutual and Automatic Aid Agreements to augment emergency response resources at major incidents or to gain emergency response efficiencies in areas where adjacent jurisdiction resources are located in close proximity.

Under the terms of the Agreement, automatic aid will be provided in specified geographic areas where the other jurisdiction's resources are in closer proximity than the jurisdiction in which the call originates. For automatic aid, the partnering agency will be dispatched directly to the emergency. Mutual aid will be provided in specified geographic areas upon request of the jurisdiction in which the call originates. The incidents specified in the Agreement for response include structure fires and emergency medical incidents.

When either party responds to an incident in the other's jurisdiction, the responding party will remain at the incident until the other party, or any other appropriate first responder entity, arrives and relieves the responding party of its duties.

This Agreement is consistent with the numerous other Agreements between the City of Fort Worth and adjoining jurisdictions for fire services.

This agreement will serve ALL COUNCIL DISTRICTS.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This contract will be with a governmental entity, state agency or public institution of higher education: Naval Air Station Joint Reserve Base, Fort Worth

FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:

The Director of Finance certifies that approval of this recommendation will have no material effect on City funds.

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