

AGENDA MEMORANDUM

Future Item for the City Council Meeting of September 9, 2014 Action Item for the City Council Meeting of September 16, 2014

DATE: August 18, 2014

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Interlocal Agreement with West Oso Independent School District for Prevention and Intervention Services from the Juvenile Assessment Center

CAPTION:

Resolution authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute an interlocal cooperation agreement with West Oso Independent School District regarding prevention and intervention programs.

PURPOSE:

The Parks and Recreation Department seeks approval of an interlocal agreement to provide West Oso Independent School District with intervention and prevention programs via the department's Community Service Division program at the Juvenile Assessment Center (JAC). The team at the JAC will offer an evidence based Life Skills training program proven to reduce the risks of violence and alcohol/tobacco/substance abuse and case management services to elementary, middle and high school students in the district.

This is a one year agreement that will automatically renew for successive five (5) one (1) year terms.

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

During the previous school year officials at West Oso Independent School District reached out to the Parks and Recreation Department Community Services Division to determine where formal partnerships could be established to help create a healthy learning environment for the students in the district. The Juvenile Assessment Center offers intervention and prevention services to help youth develop positive life skills and redirect behaviors/risk factors that lead to juvenile delinquency. If the agreement is approved team members from the JAC will provide Life Skills Training in a classroom setting and one-on-one case management services to students identified by faculty and staff. The agreement will also give the team access to district records so case managers and prevention specialists can track and gauge a student's progress in terms of grades and attendance. A similar agreement has been signed with CCISD.

ALTERNATIVES:

Do not approve interlocal agreement.

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS:

none

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

City Council must approve all interlocal agreements.

This interlocal agreement is consistent with Parks and Recreation Department's business plan to work with local school districts to provide diversion services to their students as a prevention measure to modify juvenile delinquent behaviors and reduce the number of youth subsequently funneled into the juvenile justice system.

EMERGENCY / NON-EMERGENCY:

Non-emergency

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Legal

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

□ Operating	Revenue	□ Capital	X Not applicable

Fiscal Year: 2013- 2014	Project to Date Expenditures (CIP only)	Current Year	Future Years	TOTALS
Line Item Budget				
Encumbered /				
Expended Amount				
This item				
BALANCE				

Fund(s):

Comments: none

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of this resolution.

LIST OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Resolution

Interlocal Cooperation Agreement