AMENDMENT TO CENTRAL COUNTY SERVICES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT

September 2, 2025

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The Killeen Police Department (KPD) and Central County Services (CCS) partner to embed a Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) with officers during calls involving mental health concerns. This program improves crisis response, reduces unnecessary arrests, and connects individuals to appropriate services while supporting officers with onscene clinical expertise.

A state grant administered by CCS has funded this QMHP. The original ILA was approved in November 2024. The funding has now expired, leaving the position unfunded.

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The expiration of state grant funding has placed the KPD–CCS Mental Health Co-Responder Program at risk. To sustain the program, a proposed amendment to the Interlocal Agreement provides \$30,000 in city funding to support the Qualified Mental Health Professional (QMHP) position.

If approved, Central County Services (CCS) will invoice the City monthly for the QMHP's salary beginning October 1, 2025. Once the City's \$30,000 contribution for FY 25 is met, CCS will assume responsibility for the remaining salary costs. The Police Department has budgeted funds available for this program in the Professional Services account.

Recommendation

Staff recommends authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to execute the proposed amendment to the Interlocal Agreement with Central County Services to ensure continuation of the KPD Mental Health Co-Responder Program.