



STAFF REPORT

DATE: May 2, 2017

TO: Ronald L. Olson, City Manager

FROM: Jeffery L. Reynolds, Assistant Director of Public Works

SUBJECT: INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION EVENTS

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

The City of Killeen has a history of hosting Household Hazardous Waste Collection events going back more than a dozen years. The Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) sponsors some events, with funds received from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. These events are open to residents of the seven-county CTCOG region.

Some events are sponsored by the City of Killeen. For events sponsored by the City of Killeen, we have asked the City of Harker Heights to provide event funding to enable their residents to participate in the event. Harker Heights has participated in two City of Killeen sponsored events, one in September, 2013, and the other in September, 2014.

In the past, the City of Harker Heights has contributed \$5,000 to help fund the hazardous waste transportation and disposal. In addition to the monetary contribution, Harker Heights has also provided personnel to help with event activities such as traffic control.

As the Cities of Killeen and Harker Heights share a common watershed, the routine participation of residents from the City of Harker Heights is desirable. Approving this multi-year agreement will facilitate that participation.

THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

The alternatives are: (1) do nothing and exclude participation from residents of Harker Heights in the Household Hazardous Waste collection event; or (2) enter into the interlocal agreement, inviting residents from the City of Harker Heights to participate.

Which alternative is recommended? Why?

Staff recommends second alternative. The City of Harker Heights' participation would provide additional funding for the event. It would also afford residents of Harker Heights the opportunity to dispose of hazardous products, keeping them out of the waste stream and protecting our common watershed.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

This action supports City of Killeen Vision 2030 Goal 6: Preserve and promote a positive City image; Goal 7: Foster a sense of community and provide an exceptional quality of life; and Goal 12: Local and Central Texas regional leadership.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

What is the amount of the expenditure in the current fiscal year? For future years?

The cost of conducting each event varies, primarily dependent on the number of residents served. The estimated cost to the City of Killeen is approximately \$30,000.

Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?

Recurring. The City plans to sponsor up to two events each year.

Is this expenditure budgeted?

Yes

If not, where will the money come from?

N/A

Is there a sufficient amount in the budgeted line-item for this expenditure?

Yes, funds are available in account 540-3470-439.50-40, Designated Expenses / Refuse Disposal Costs. The current balance is \$34,691, leaving a balance of approximately \$4,691.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Agreement between the City of Killeen, Texas and Harker Heights, Texas.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Public Works
Finance
Legal

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Interlocal Agreement