



City of Killeen

Legislation Text

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Consider a memorandum/resolution approving the purchase of land at 9132 Trimmier Road from the Killeen Independent School District for Killeen Fire Department Facilities in the amount of \$360,000.

DATE: June 7, 2022
TO: Kent Cagle, City Manager
FROM: James Kubinski, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: Land Purchase for Killeen Fire Department Facilities

BACKGROUND AND FINDINGS:

City Council approved \$11.9 million in ARPA funding for an EOC/Support/Training Complex in the FY 2022 Budget. On May 3, 2022, City Council provided a motion of direction to move FY 2021 fund balance from the General Fund in excess of 22% to the Governmental CIP fund in a future budget amendment to build the city's ninth fire station.

The construction of an EOC/Support/Training complex will allow the fire department to provide training to Killeen Fire Department personnel and other city employees on how to respond to a declared emergency as well as allow for enhanced response to needs associated with a declared emergency. The construction and opening of a fire station in the identified area will help to improve response times, maintain the city's Insurance Services Organization (ISO) rating, and add much needed resources to the city fire department.

Many properties were considered in a general area identified in the Fire Department Master Plan as Trimmier Road and Kelley Road for this project. The property located at 9132 Trimmier Road was found to be ideal for multiple reasons that include, but are not limited to, size, relatively flat topography, and proximity to existing infrastructure such as fiber, water, and electric. Additional factors include the ability to co-locate the EOC on the same site as the ninth fire station and significant construction savings with building the fire station and EOC/Support/Training projects at the same time. The owner of the property, Killeen Independent School District, was contacted by Killeen Fire Department staff to inquire about their plans for the identified property. Expansion of the Sheridan Transportation Facility is planned, but there is land available to fit the needs of the fire department. An agreement has been reached for the purchase of 15 acres of land on the property with frontage on Trimmier Road.

THE ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED:

Approve the Land Purchase agreement with Killeen Independent School District

Do Not Approve the Land Purchase agreement with Killeen Independent School District

Which alternative is recommended? Why?

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the purchase of 15 acres of land located at 9132 Trimmier Road from the Killeen Independent School District in the amount \$360,000. The parcel is right sized for the current needs of the Killeen Fire Department as well as for future growth that the department is expected to see in the next 20 years as it pertains to Emergency Preparedness and training.

CONFORMITY TO CITY POLICY:

The land purchase conforms to all applicable city policies.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

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

The cost of the land is \$360,000 for this fiscal year with no future expenditure expected for land purchase on this site in future fiscal years.

Is this a one-time or recurring expenditure?

One-time expenditure.

Is this expenditure budgeted?

Yes, funds are available in the Governmental CIP fund account 349-8970-493.69-02.

If not, where will the money come from?

N/A

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

Yes

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the purchase of 15 acres of land, located at 9132 Trimmier Road, from the Killeen Independent School District for construction of an EOC/Support/Training site and fire station in the amount of \$360,000.

DEPARTMENTAL CLEARANCES:

Fire Department
Legal
Finance
Development Services
Community Development

ATTACHED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

Staff Assessment
Land Acquisition Memo
Land Acquisition Letter
Site Concept Plan
Appraisal
Agreement