



AGENDA REPORT

Fire Department

DATE:	October 18, 2022
TO:	Mayor Butt and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Angel Montoya, Fire Chief Aaron Osorio, Deputy Fire Chief
SUBJECT:	Interagency Agreement with Contra Costa County Health Services for EMS Program
FINANCIAL IMPACT:	The funding consists of an allocation not to exceed \$229,462 annually, or \$688,386 over the three-year period from July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025.
PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION:	N/A
STATEMENT OF THE ISSUE:	The Fire Department receives funding through a tax measure (Measure H) passed in 1988 from the Contra Costa County Health Services Division in support of the Fire Department's Emergency Medical Services (EMS) program. City staff is requesting approval of the interagency agreement to continue receiving this funding for three more years.
RECOMMENDED ACTION:	ADOPT a resolution to ACCEPT and APPROPRIATE a total of \$688,066 in Measure H funding from the Contra Costa County Health Services Division; and APPROVE a three-year interagency agreement for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025 – Fire Department (Chief Angel Montoya 510-307-8041).

DISCUSSION:

In 1988, Contra Costa County voters passed Measure H, which provided for enhancements to the Contra Costa County Emergency Medical Services System. These funds are provided annually to fire agencies throughout the County to be used solely for emergency medical training/education, emergency and rescue equipment, and medical supplies.

Funding distributions were based on a “per engine” formula for many years. However, beginning in 2009, fire station closures began to prevent the full distribution of funds. This created an unintended budget shortfall for impacted fire agencies. On May 14, 2013, a population-based allocation formula was adopted in an effort to support preserving fire first medical response to mitigate the reductions to fire agency funding.

The proposed three-year interagency agreement would provide the City with Measure H funding of up to \$229,462 per year, for a total payment amount of up to \$688,066 over the term of the agreement.

RECOMMENDATION:

City staff recommends that City Council (1) adopt the resolution to accept and appropriate funding from Contra Costa County Health Services toward the Fire Department’s Emergency Medical Services program, and (2) approve a three-year interagency agreement for the period of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2025.

DOCUMENTS ATTACHED:

Attachment 1 – Contra Costa County Interagency Agreement #23-551-4
Attachment 2 – Resolution