

Interlocal Agreement for School Resource Officers
Town of Little Elm (Town) and Denton Independent School District (DISD)
March 24, 2020

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of Interlocal Agreement for five (5) School Resource Officers, between the Town of Little Elm and Denton ISD whereas the TOWN provides DISD with five (5) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SRO). Of the five (5) officers, one will serve as a school resource officer supervisor. These officers will be assigned to Catherine Bell Elementary School, Paloma Creek Elementary School, Navo Middle School and Braswell High School.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- The Denton ISD Board of Trustees have approved similar agreements with the City of Denton, Denton County, City of Corinth, and City of Oak Point to provide SROs to our campuses in their jurisdiction.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- This is a continuation of services provided by the TOWN to assist four (4) Braswell Zone Schools with five (5) School Resource Officers. This agreement is adding the position of an SRO Supervisor.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- The location of Catherine Bell Elementary School, Paloma Creek Elementary School, Navo Middle School and Braswell High School necessitates the need to pursue an agreement with the Town of Little Elm to provide five (5) SROs. These schools are under the Little Elm Police Department's jurisdiction.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- For school year 2019-20, cost will be \$348,205.68
- Quarterly Payment Amounts: \$71,316.66 (July 2019, October 2019 & January 2020) \$134,255.70 (April 2020)
- Costs will be borne by: DISD will be responsible for 100% of SRO Supervisor's salary and 75% of remaining 4 SRO salary.

DISD: 100% SRO Supervisor/75% (4) SRO - \$348,205.68 (salary and benefits: 2019-20)

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- The TOWN and the DISD desire to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of local governmental entities by acknowledging the need for five (5) school resource officers (SRO), with one serving as a supervisor and all equipment necessary for the prompt and effective utilization of such officers.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed for 2019-20.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- It is important that Denton ISD has this partnership with the Town of Little Elm to provide five (5) school resource officers for Catherine Bell Elementary School, Paloma Creek Elementary School, Navo Middle School and Braswell High School.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- The superintendent recommends approval of the Interlocal Agreement for five (5) school resource officers, between the Town of Little Elm and the Denton Independent School District whereas the TOWN provides DISD with five (5) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SRO) at Catherine Bell Elementary School, Paloma Creek Elementary School, Navo Middle School and Braswell High School.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Dr. Jamie Wilson, Superintendent of Schools
- Dr. Richard Valenta, Deputy Superintendent

ATTACHMENT:

- The Interlocal Agreement between the Town of Little Elm and Denton ISD.

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____