

Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for School Resource Officer Services Funded by Denton County Fresh Water Supply Districts (August 28, 2018)

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of the Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for School Resource Officer Services between the Denton County Fresh Water Supply Districts (Districts) and the Denton Independent School District (DISD) whereas the Districts shall provide funding to DISD for two (2) certified police officers to serve as school resource officers (SROs) assigned to Paloma Creek Elementary and Bell Elementary. The SROs will be provided by the Town of Little Elm.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- The Denton ISD Board of Trustees has approved a joint interlocal agreement with the Town of Little Elm to provide SRO services at both Paloma Creek and Bell Elementary Schools.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- The offer from the Water Districts to fund two (2) additional SROs, one at Paloma Creek Elementary and one at Bell Elementary, created a need for Little Elm Police to train and provide two (2) additional SROs.
- Water Districts have also offered to pay for a police vehicle to be used by the Paloma Creek and Bell Elementary schools.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- The addition of campuses on the 380 corridor along with increased student growth necessitated the pursuit of an agreement with the Town of Little Elm to provide SROs. The Water Districts' willingness to fund SRO services for Paloma Creek Elementary and Bell Elementary provides safety and security to both these campuses.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS - For school year 2018-19:

SRO Paloma Creek Elementary Salary and Benefits (Funded by Water Districts)

Annual Base Salary: \$60,718.00
Benefits : \$32,508.24
Cost per SRO: \$93,226.24

SRO Bell Elementary Salary and Benefits (Funded by Water Districts)

Annual Base Salary: \$60,718.00
Benefits : \$32,508.24
Cost per SRO: \$93,226.24

Total Salaries: \$186,452.48

Salary Contributions from Both Parties

Water Districts	75%	\$139,839.36 (Funded by the Water Districts)
Town of Little Elm	25%	\$46,613.12

Capital Vehicle Cost: \$57,700.00 per unit, built out with the following equipment: (Funded by Water Districts)

1. Radio
2. Lights and Siren
3. Markings
4. Cage
5. Camera System
6. MDC (compatible with Denton County-Little Elm version)

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Consolidates the services needed for our schools under the police jurisdiction of the Town of Little Elm.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- None

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- No alternative actions are proposed.

OTHER COMMENTS:

- It is important and logical that Denton ISD have one partnership with the Town of Little Elm to provide SROs for Braswell High School, Navo Middle School, Paloma Creek Elementary, and Bell Elementary. In addition, it is prudent to have an agreement with the Water Districts outlining their financial obligation for the funding of SROs at Paloma Creek and Bell schools.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

- The superintendent recommends approval of the Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Water Districts and the Denton Independent School District whereas the Districts shall provide Denton ISD with funding that provides for a police vehicle and compensates for two (2) certified police officers (SROs) assigned to Paloma Creek Elementary and Bell Elementary. These two officers will be provided by the Town of Little Elm because both elementary schools are in the jurisdiction of the Town of Little Elm.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

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

ATTACHMENT:

- The Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for School Resource Officer Services funded by the Denton County Fresh Water Supply Districts.

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____

Comments: _____