



Legislation Text

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RESOLUTION 5140: AUTHORIZATION TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF TEMPE TO ACCEPT COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT FOR WESTSIDE ALL HAZARDS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT TEAM

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Purpose and Recommended Action

This is a request for City Council to waive reading beyond the title and adopt a resolution to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Tempe to accept communications equipment for use by the Westside All Hazards Incident Management Team (AHIMT).

Background

In 2011, the Tempe Fire Department received homeland security grant funds (Subgrantee Agreement 11-AZDOHS-HSGP-888213-02) from the Arizona Department of Homeland Security (AZDOHS) in order to equip the Central Region All Hazards Incident Management Teams. The Glendale Fire Department has been earmarked to receive \$90,732 (Subgrantee Agreement 10-AZDOHS-HSGP-777214-04) worth of communication equipment to outfit two (2) mobile command and control pods. The Tempe Fire Department has purchased the equipment for the cities of Tempe, Phoenix and Glendale and is now distributing the equipment for use in the region.

Analysis

The Glendale Fire Department AHIMT will receive communication equipment worth approximately \$90,732.00 for use in two (2) mobile command and control pods. This will allow consistency with communication capabilities with the other AHIMT cities, Phoenix and Tempe, and provide for a reliable and compatible communication framework during all types of hazards, large incidents, natural or man-made, and large scale planned events.

With the exception of labor time to install the equipment in the pods, there are no anticipated initial or ongoing costs associated with the acceptance of this equipment.

Previous Related Council Action

Council has accepted grant funds directly from AZDOHS since 2003 and has entered into IGAs with numerous Valley cities, including the City of Tempe.

Community Benefit/Public Involvement

Installation and use of this equipment provides a stable, reliable and regionally consistent communication framework for use during response to any large scale incidents and for command and control during large scale planned events. A coordinated response by Valley public safety agencies allows for a more rapid resolution of the incident and improved safety for public safety and civilian personnel.

Budget and Financial Impacts

Other than initial time and labor associated with the installation of the equipment in the pods, there are no ongoing costs anticipated with accepting this equipment. If funds are required for repairs or upgrades, funding will be sought through federal grants.