



Staff Report

TO: City Council

FROM: Sean Thuilliez, Chief of Police

DATE: August 17, 2021

SUBJECT: **Approval of a Three-Year Agreement Between the City of Beaumont and Riverside County for an Emergency Services Coordinator with the County of Riverside Emergency Management Department and a Cost Sharing Agreement Between the City of Beaumont and the Beaumont Unified School District**

Background and Analysis:

The County of Riverside Emergency Management Department (EMD) offers local jurisdictions the opportunity to contract with them for an assigned Emergency Services Coordinator through a partnership agreement. This contract position provides expertise for establishment and coordination of the City's emergency services planning, response and recovery as well as training and preparedness of City staff to ensure safety and situational awareness during any emergency event.

The Beaumont Police Department (BPD) oversees the City's emergency preparedness operations. They FY 21-22 budget included the cost for a full-time emergency position to be shared with the Beaumont Unified School District (District). This partnership is ideal in the sense that a natural or catastrophic event will likely affect both the City and District and the respective emergency plans should have a level of congruency. The District is in need of a half-time emergency services coordinator and has agreed to partner with the City to share these costs and services equally.

The County of Riverside EMD permits the sharing of emergency coordinator services and has requested that the agreement be between the City and EMD and the City and the District independently sub-contract to share the costs and services. BPD will have direct oversight of the EMD personnel assigned to the City and the District.

Fiscal Impact:

A three-year agreement with Riverside County EMD for an Emergency Services Coordinator is \$160,000 annually for a total cost of \$480,000. The costs sharing

agreement with the District will offset this cost by 50%. Total fiscal impact to the City for three years will be \$240,000.

Cost savings may also be realized through EMD's experience and expertise of applying for FEMA grants and cost recovery. City staff estimates the cost to prepare this staff report to be \$1,170.

Recommended Action:

Authorize the City Manager enter into an Agreement for Emergency Services Coordinator between the County of Riverside and the City of Beaumont, and Authorize the Mayor to enter into an Agreement for Shared Emergency Services Coordinator between the City of Beaumont and the Beaumont Unified School District.

Attachments:

- A. Agreement for ESC between the County and the City
- B. Agreement for shared ESC between the City and the District