
City Council Regular Meeting

DEPARTMENT: Fire Department

FROM: Will Allen, Emergency Operations Manager

MEETING: July 5, 2022

SUBJECT:

Consider approval of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Burleson and Open Door Church for shelter and mass care activities during emergency situations. *(Staff Contact: Will Allen, Emergency Operations Manager)*

SUMMARY:

On July 19, 2021 the City Council was briefed by the Burleson Fire Department on the various shelter options available during a state of emergency. Specifically the City Council was presented information related to the types of events that could warrant the opening of a shelter, the facilities available for such a use, and their associated characteristics and features. Local churches and the Burleson Independent School District (BISD) were both identified as secondary sheltering options that could be utilized during an emergency event. Staff notified the City Council that MOUs between the City and each secondary sheltering location should be executed in advance of their use.

The items on the February 21, 2022 Council Agenda approve MOUs establishing emergency sheltering provisions with Pathway Church of Burleson, Burleson Church of Christ, First Baptist Church Burleson, BISD, and the City of Burleson. With this Memo, staff would like to add the Open Door Church, Burleson, TX to the list. The MOUs establish the actions each party is willing to take with respect to shelter and mass care operations, as a basis for further planning and preparation by both parties. The term of each MOU is three years from the date of execution, however the agreements may be terminated by either party, for any reason, by providing thirty days written notice. Upon execution of the MOUs, in the event there is a need to open a shelter(s) staff will follow the guidance provided in the Shelter and Mass Care Annex C which has been previously presented and approved by City Council.

OPTIONS:

- 1) Approve the MOU between the City of Burleson and Open Door Church for shelter mass care activities during emergency situations.
- 2) Approve the MOU between the City of Burleson and Open Door Church for shelter mass care activities during emergency situations with changes.

- 3) Deny the MOU between the City of Burleson and Open Door Church for shelter mass care activities during emergency situations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends approval of Option 1: MOU between the City of Burleson and Open Door Church for shelter mass care activities during emergency situations.

Fiscal IMPACT:

None

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