City of Burnet City Council

Item Brief



Meeting Date

November 10, 2025

Agenda Item

Discuss and consider action: Approval of an interlocal agreement with Burnet County acknowledging and outlining the dual role of the magistrate for the City of Burnet and the Burnet County Jail Magistrate: D. Vaughn

Information

This item comes before you at the request of the County Judge. As background, it should be noted that the County and City previously entered into an agreement (ILA) pursuant to the Texas Interlocal Cooperation Act authorizing the City's presiding and associate judges (currently Judge Tamara Tinney and Associate Judge Kristen Tice) to also serve as the Burnet County Jail Magistrate and Associate Magistrate. Recent legislation (codified as TCCP 17.027(a)(2)) outlines conditions when a magistrate is not authorized to conduct the magistration of an arrested person. However, this limitation does not apply to municipal court judges. The County Attorney has requested the original ILA be amended to reflect that for the purposes of TCCP 17.027(a)(2) magistration shall be performed by Judge Tinney or Judge Tice in their capacity as municipal court judge and not county magistrates.

This item was approved by Commissioners Court last week.

Fiscal Impact

There is no direct fiscal impact to the City of Burnet.

Recommendation

Staff recommends approval of the interlocal agreement as presented.