



CITY COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

DEPARTMENT: Commissioner Shrouder

SUBJECT: Discussion on Terminating the City's Contract with BSO Police & Fire

CITY MANAGER RECOMMENDATION:

N/A

BACKGROUND OF ITEM:

Since merging our public safety services with the Sheriff's Office in 2004, the City's operational and financial control over our public safety services continues to erode. Recent actions by BSO have demonstrated that the City has no input, oversight or control over our public safety operations or finances. After re-signing a contract that already shifted millions of dollars' worth of costs from BSO to the City, BSO is again demanding an increase in payment more than the contractual rate and has failed to provide the required documentation to justify the increase. Operationally, the City no longer has input or control over staffing. BSO unilaterally transfers employees in and out of the City without regard for the impact on the community and BSO floats personnel into the City who are not geographically familiar with the area resulting in delayed response times. Furthermore, BSO has blatantly rebuffed the Mayor's demands to replace unsafe fire equipment that does not meet national standards. Based on the diminishing level of service that BSO is providing our residents and the unsustainable cost increases BSO is demanding, Commissioner Shrouder would like to discuss terminating the City's contract with BSO and reestablishing the Cooper City Police & Fire Departments.

ANALYSIS:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

<u>General Ledger Acct. Number</u>	<u>Budgeted Amount</u>	<u>Requested Amount</u>	<u>Remaining Amount</u>

ALTERNATIVES:

N/A

ATTACHMENTS: