



CITY COUNCIL CONSENT ITEM

CITY OF FAIR OAKS RANCH, TEXAS

AGENDA TOPIC: Approval of a resolution authorizing participation in a national opioid settlement

DATE: September 18, 2025

DEPARTMENT: Finance

PRESENTED BY: Consent Item: Summer Fleming, CGFO, Director of Finance

INTRODUCTION/BACKGROUND:

On October 7, 2021, and again on March 2, 2023, the City of Fair Oaks Ranch, by resolution, joined with numerous other Texas local governments in participating in the Texas Opioid Settlement Agreements against certain drug manufacturers, distributors, and related parties for their “fraudulent and reckless marketing/distribution of opioids.” These prior actions demonstrated the City’s recognition of the widespread impacts of the opioid crisis across Texas and the nation, as well as our commitment to ensuring that Fair Oaks Ranch receives its equitable share of settlement funds designated for prevention, treatment, and recovery initiatives.

A new round of settlements has now been finalized with additional defendants, and, consistent with the prior agreements, participation requires formal action by the governing body. Because the City has previously completed this process successfully, we are familiar with the requirements and the benefits of joining. Taking this step again ensures the City continues to maximize available resources from these national settlements, aligns with the collective efforts of other Texas jurisdictions, and upholds our responsibility to seek remedies for the harm caused by the opioid epidemic.

POLICY ANALYSIS/BENEFIT(S) TO CITIZENS:

Those entities listed in the settlement agreements will receive settlement funds.

LONGTERM FINANCIAL & BUDGETARY IMPACT:

The total budgetary impact is not yet known, as settlement funds will be distributed on a pro rata basis among all participating entities.

LEGAL ANALYSIS:

Approved as to form.

RECOMMENDATION/PROPOSED MOTION:

Consent Item: I move to approve a resolution authorizing participation in a national opioid settlement.