

CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE RESOLUTION

MEETING DATE: 10/11/2022

REQUESTER: Michaela Sandefer

PRESENTER: Michaela Sandefer, Assistant EMC

TITLE: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to appoint City personnel to

be Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams (TEMAT) program members and execute Memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with said appointees, the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM), Texas A&M Extension Service (TEEX), and Texas A&M Forest Service (TFS), as appropriate, for participation in

TEMAT programs

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve

ANALYSIS:

The Texas Division of Emergency Management has established Texas Emergency Management Assistance Teams (TEMAT) to facilitate disaster response and recovery within the state. TEMAT program members are specifically trained and skilled subject matter experts from various jurisdictions throughout the state. Members are typically appointed for a period of five (5) years during which time they will assist jurisdictions that have been impacted by an emergency or disaster, as needed, to recover more efficiently. However, the City or member can cancel participation with thirty (30) days notice. Costs associated with member participation will be reimbursed in accordance with the Texas Emergency Management Division's mutual aid reimbursement policy upon receipt of an accurately completed reimbursement request. A separate MOU outlining the member's responsibilities, which includes participating in local training to maintain operational readiness, must be signed for each employee who is a TEMAT program member. The MOU'S will allow the City to obtain reimbursement for employee participation.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION:

The City will have all cost reimbursed in accordance with the Texas Emergency Management Division for all deployments.

BODY

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPOINT CITY PERSONNEL TO BE TEXAS EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TEAMS (TEMAT) PROGRAM MEMBERS AND EXECUTE MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SAID

APPOINTEES, THE TEXAS DIVISION OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (TDEM), TEXAS A&M ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE (TEEX), AND THE TEXAS A&M FOREST SERVICE, AS APPROPRIATE FOR PARTICIPATION IN TEMAT PROGRAMS

WHEREAS, the Texas Division of Emergency Management has established TEMAT programs to facilitate disaster response and recovery within the state including the Disaster Recovery Task Force, Public Works Response Team (PWRT), Texas A&M Task Force Search and Rescue Teams (TX-TF), All-Hazards Incident Management Teams (AHIMT), and Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS); and

WHEREAS, TEMAT program members are comprised of specifically trained and skilled subject matter experts from various jurisdictions throughout the state; and

WHEREAS, the City has specifically skilled and trained subject matter experts, including emergency management and public works personnel, who would be valued members of TEMAT; and

WHEREAS, TEMAT program members and their employing entity must execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with TDEM and the appropriate Program Administrator (TFS or TEEKS) outlining the terms of the program member's participation; and

WHEREAS, costs associated with program member participation will be reimbursed in accordance with the Texas Emergency Management Division's mutual reimbursement policy upon receipt of an accurately completed reimbursement request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS THAT:

SECTION 1. The City Manager is authorized to appoint City personnel to be TEMAT program members.

SECTION 2. The City Manager is authorized to execute memorandums of understanding with city appointed TEMAT program members, TDEM, TFS, and TEEKS, as appropriate, for the employee's participation as a member of TEMAT's Disaster Recovery Task Force, Public Works Response Team (PWRT), Texas A&M Task Force Search and Rescue Teams (TX-TF), All-Hazards Incident Management Teams (AHIMT), and/or Texas Intrastate Fire Mutual Aid System (TIFMAS).

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND PRAIRIE, TEXAS, ON THIS THE 11th DAY OF OCTOBER 2022.