

VILLAGE OF HOMEWOOD



BOARD AGENDA MEMORANDUM

DATE OF MEETING: July 11, 2023

To: Village President and Board of Trustees

Through: Napoleon Haney, Village Manager

From: Denise McGrath, Chief of Police

Topic: Joint Task Force Agreement - South Suburban Emergency Response Team

PURPOSE

Enter into an agreement with South Suburban Emergency Response Team (SSERT), a multi-jurisdictional mutual aid emergency response team for certain critical incidents.

PROCESS

SSERT was conceptualized and created on March 15, 1989 in recognition that few suburban law enforcement agencies have the stand-alone resources to address special threat situations that include, but are not limited to; barricaded gunman, hostage crisis, or civil disturbance. Following almost two (2) years of intense training and preparation, SSERT was formally recognized on September 24, 1990.

The original Agreement with fifteen (15) municipalities including the Village of Homewood, was entered into in 1991 and today there are thirty-one (31) member agencies. Over time, the needs of SSERT and the Village have evolved and grown in complexity. To meet those needs, an updated Joint Task Force Agreement was compiled with input from legal and risk management entities.

OUTCOME

Approval of the resolution and the Joint Task Force Agreement with South Suburban Emergency Response Team will enable the Homewood Police Department to continue to be a part of this valuable mutual aid emergency response team.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

- **Funding Source:** N/A
- **Budgeted Amount:** N/A
- **Cost:** N/A

LEGAL REVIEW

Completed

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RECOMMENDED BOARD ACTION

Pass a resolution authorizing the Village President to enter into a Joint Task Force Agreement with South Suburban Emergency Response Team.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Resolution

SSERT Joint Task Force Agreement