

INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF AUSTIN AND THE CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD

This Agreement for Public Health Services ("Agreement") is made and entered into by and between the City of Austin, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of Texas ("Austin") and the City of Rollingwood, Travis County, a municipal corporation and political subdivision of Texas ("Rollingwood").

RECITALS

Austin and Rollingwood have the authority to provide for the enactment and enforcement of ordinances for the general welfare and health of local citizens under Chapter 51 of the Local Government Code and other statutes.

Austin has established a health department to provide for and promote the public health through the enforcement of laws and ordinances governing activities affecting the public health in Austin.

Rollingwood has adopted public health ordinances and wishes to secure certain health inspection services from Austin.

Austin has experienced and trained personnel that can provide inspection services to Rollingwood in a way that would be more efficient than efforts by Rollingwood to provide those services directly to its residents.

Austin and Rollingwood have the authority to enter into this Agreement under Chapter 791 of Texas Government Code, and Chapter 121 of the Health and Safety Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the agreements and consideration set forth below, the amount and sufficiency of which are acknowledged, Rollingwood and Austin agree as follows:

1.0 DEFINITIONS

1.01 "Austin " means City of Austin, Texas.

1.02 "Custodial Care" means a general environmental health and safety inspection conducted at the request of a facility operator or resident to fulfill the requirements of the state licensing agency for child care, adoption or foster care.

1.03 "Director" means the Director of the Austin Public Health Department of the City of Austin (Austin Public Health).

1.04 "Food Enterprise" has the same meaning set forth in the Austin City Code.

1.05 "Mayor" means the Mayor of Rollingwood or his or her successor.

1.06 "Fiscal Year" means the twelve (12) month time period between October 1 and September 30 of the following year.

1.07 "Swimming Pool and Spas" has the same meaning as established in Title 25, Chapter 265 of the Texas Administrative Code.

2.0 AGREEMENT TERM

Initial Term. This Agreement will be effective for a term beginning October 1, 2018 and ending September 30, 2019, unless sooner terminated under the terms of this Agreement.

It is understood and agreed that in no event shall any provision of this Agreement or any contract entered into under the terms of this Agreement be interpreted to obligate either party to provide funding or services beyond the revenues currently available to the party.

Renewal Term(s). This Agreement may be renewed for an additional four (4) successive one-year terms upon written approval of the parties.

3.0 RESPONSIBILITIES OF AUSTIN

3.01 Austin shall:

3.01.1 Conduct inspections and help administer and enforce state laws and Rollingwood's ordinances regulating Food Enterprises, swimming pools and spas and custodial care. More specifically, Austin shall conduct plan review, permit issuance, inspections and complaint investigations, and shall participate in Rollingwood's administrative enforcement as described in section 3.03

3.01.2 Prepare and maintain case files on completed inspections and inform Rollingwood of the results of such inspections and any recommendations for action by Rollingwood

3.01.3 Ensure Austin staff is available for testimony in court proceedings in the event suit is brought regarding the services provided under this Agreement or Rollingwood's enforcement actions.

3.01.4 Collect all fees related to inspection, permitting, and plan review activities as provided for in this Agreement from affected businesses based on fee rates set forth in Exhibit A or as otherwise amended by the Austin City Council.

3.02 Austin shall have no duty to perform the following activities, and Rollingwood agrees to be fully responsible for the following:

3.02.1 Initiate or prosecute any civil or criminal suit on any complaint or case

investigated under this Agreement.

3.02.2 Schedule or conduct enforcement hearings.

3.02.3 Assess or collect any penalties, fines or liens.

3.03 Enforcement of state law(s) and any applicable Rollingwood ordinances shall include, on-site investigations, issuance of notices, attempts to secure voluntary compliance, and the presentation of testimony and evidence in administrative hearings before the Rollingwood Council or its designee.

4.0 RESPONSIBILITIES OF ROLLINGWOOD

4.01 Rollingwood shall:

4.01.1 Authorize personnel of Austin Public Health, to act as its agents in enforcing state law and any applicable ordinances of the City of Rollingwood.

4.01.2 Provide Austin with certified copies of any Rollingwood ordinances intended to be enforced in accordance with this Agreement.

4.01.3 Schedule and conduct any required enforcement hearings.

4.01.4 Assess and collect fines and penalties and enforce liens.

4.01.5 Provide Austin Public Health notification of any food enterprises or swimming pools and spas for which Rollingwood has received a site plan or building permit application

5.0 MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Austin and Rollingwood agree to meet annually to establish and evaluate operating policies and procedures and to make such adjustments or changes as may be of mutual benefit, unless otherwise scheduled by mutual agreement.

6.0 COMPENSATION

In consideration of the services to be provided by Austin under this Agreement, Rollingwood grants to Austin the exclusive right to bill, collect and retain all inspection, permit and other fees from residents and businesses located within the corporate limits of Rollingwood based on fee rates set forth in Exhibit A, incorporated herein for all purposes, or as otherwise amended by the Austin City Council and approved by Rollingwood's City Council. Rollingwood agrees to cooperate with Austin in adjusting its fees payable for services to be performed by Austin pursuant to this Agreement so that Rollingwood's fees match the fees adopted by Austin for the same services.

Austin shall provide Rollingwood notice of a change in affected fees and Rollingwood shall have a reasonable time for its City Council to consider and act to make an appropriate adjustment in the fees payable in Rollingwood. Austin will continue charging fees at the previously adopted rate for 60 days between the date the Austin City Council adopts the new fee rates and the date the Rollingwood City Council makes a decision on whether to match the fees adopted by Austin for the same services. Austin will act to terminate this agreement if the Rollingwood City Council does not approve fees matching those amended by the Austin City Council.

By approving this Agreement, Rollingwood hereby adopts the fees described in Exhibit A as may be amended, waives all rights to these fees, and designates Austin as its exclusive agent for purposes of providing the services and collecting the related fees as described in this Agreement. The parties agree that Austin shall bill and collect fees in accordance with Austin policies and procedures.

In recognition of the fact that Austin's only compensation under this Agreement will be the fees it is able to collect from Rollingwood's residents and businesses, Rollingwood agrees to promptly take action against any resident or business that fails to pay a fee in a timely manner.

7.0 ENTIRE AGREEMENT

Entire Agreement: All oral and written agreements between the parties relating to the subject matter of this Agreement that were made prior to the execution of this Agreement have been reduced to writing and are contained in this Agreement.

8.0 RETENTION, ACCESSIBILITY AND AUDIT OF RECORDS AND REPORTS

8.01 Austin, on behalf of Rollingwood, shall create and maintain files and records regarding permits, investigations and enforcement activities undertaken under this Agreement. All original records shall belong to Austin. Rollingwood shall be entitled to make and retain such copies as may be necessary to document its work or to satisfy applicable obligations under the Texas Public Information Act, government record retention schedule, or other applicable law.

8.02 Record Retention. Austin shall maintain the original of all routine fiscal and performance records and documentation of its activities performed under this Agreement in a readily available state and location until the later of: a) the completion by Rollingwood of an audit in conformance with generally accepted accounting principles and procedures for governmental organizations or b) three (3) years after the Agreement term in which the activity occurred, or such longer time as may be required by an applicable government records retention schedule promulgated by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Rollingwood shall maintain records related to this Agreement in Accordance with government records retention schedule.

- 8.03 Rollingwood Access. Austin shall give Rollingwood, or its duly authorized representatives, full and reasonable access to and the right to examine all books, records, accounts, reports, files, and other papers, things or property belonging to or in use by Austin pertaining to this Agreement in an accessible location at reasonable times and for reasonable periods. These rights to access shall continue as long as these records are retained by Austin.
- 8.04 Rollingwood Audit. Rollingwood has the right to conduct an annual financial and compliance audit of Austin's performance of this Agreement. Austin shall permit Rollingwood, or its duly authorized representatives, to audit Austin's records that relate to this Agreement and to copy, at Rollingwood's expense, any document, materials or information necessary to facilitate these audits.
- 8.05 Austin Access. Rollingwood shall give Austin, or its duly authorized representatives, access to and the right to copy and examine all records, accounts, reports, files, and other papers, things or property belonging to or in use by Rollingwood pertaining to this Agreement in an accessible location. These rights to access shall continue as long as these records are retained by Rollingwood. As requested by Austin, Rollingwood shall certify to Austin those financial records relating to the performance of this Agreement.

9.0 AGENCY

The parties expressly acknowledge and agree that the actions of Austin personnel while in the performance of duties authorized by this Agreement shall be deemed to be the actions of Rollingwood as employees of Austin acting as contractual agents of Rollingwood. Austin shall be responsible to direct the work of such employees and to pay all wages, benefits, employment taxes and ensure compliance with all law applicable to such employment. No such employee of Austin shall be considered an employee of Rollingwood for any purpose, including the purpose of gaining any rights or benefits due to an employee of Rollingwood pursuant to Rollingwood's personnel policies.

10.0 MONITORING

On-Site Monitoring. Rollingwood has the right to perform periodic on-site monitoring of Austin's compliance with the provisions of this Agreement and of the adequacy and timeliness of Austin's performance under this Agreement.

11.0 TERMINATION AND REMEDIES, CANCELLATION

- 11.01 Breach. Either party may terminate this Agreement if the other is in breach of an obligation and fails to cure such breach within thirty (30) days of receipt of written notice from the non-breaching party. If more than thirty (30) days are required to cure such default or breach, a reasonable time in excess of said days may be

established, provided both parties agree in writing as to the time period to be substituted.

11.02 Termination. Either party has the right to terminate this Agreement, in whole or in part, as follows:

11.02.1 The other party has failed to comply with any term or condition of this Agreement and failed to cure the breach in accordance with Section 11.01 of the Agreement;

11.02.2 The party is unable to conform to changes required by federal, state or local laws or regulations; or

11.02.3 If either party's governing body fails to provide funding sufficient to meet its obligations under this Agreement during their annual budget planning and adoption process

11.03 Procedure. In the event of termination under Section 11.02.2 or 11.02.3 of the Agreement, the party desiring to terminate shall notify the other party in compliance with the Notice provisions of this Agreement of the decision to terminate and specify an effective date of termination that is at least thirty (30) days after that notice and, in the case of partial termination, the portion of the Agreement to be terminated.

11.04 Without Cause Termination. Either party may terminate this Agreement at any time, in whole or in part, without cause, upon providing at least sixty (60) days written notice to the other party.

11.05 Rights Surviving Termination. Austin's right to bill and collect any fee that became due during the term of this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

11.06 Termination by Austin. Austin may terminate this Agreement if the Rollingwood City Council does not adopt fees consistent with Austin's fees as amended by the Austin City Council.

12.0 AMENDMENTS

This Agreement may be amended only in a writing approved by each party's governing body and signed by an authorized representative of each party.

13.0 LIABILITIES, CLAIMS

13.01 Liability. Austin shall not be liable for any claims, damages or attorney's fees arising from any negligence or unlawful acts of Rollingwood or its agents arising from the performance of duties or responsibilities under this Agreement.

Rollingwood shall not be liable for any claims, damages or attorney's fees arising from acts of Austin or its employees conducted outside the scope of this Agreement.

- 13.02 **Claims.** If any claim or other action, including proceedings before an administrative agency, is made or brought by a person, firm, corporation or other entity against Austin or Rollingwood relating to the performance of the obligations under this Agreement, the party receiving notice shall give written notice to the other party of the claim or other action within three (3) working days after being notified of it or the threat of it, such notice to include: the name and address of the person, firm, corporation or other entity that made or threatened to make a claim, or that instituted or threatened to institute any type of action or proceeding; the basis of the claim, action or proceeding; the court or administrative tribunal, if any, where the claim, action or proceeding was instituted; and the name or names of any person against whom this claim is being made or threatened. This written notice shall be given in the manner described in Section 14 of the Agreement. Except as otherwise directed, each party shall furnish the other with copies of all pertinent papers received by that party with respect to these claims or actions.

14.0 NOTICES

- 14.01 **Written Notice.** Unless otherwise specified, all notices to be given to either party under this Agreement shall be in writing, and may be delivered by courier or sent postage pre-paid by certified or registered mail, return receipt requested. Notice shall be deemed effective if sent to the parties and addresses designated below, upon receipt in case of hand delivery, and three (3) days after deposit in the U.S. Mail, in case of mailing.

- 14.02 **Rollingwood Address.** The address of Rollingwood for all notices under the Agreement shall be:

City Administrator
City Hall
City of Rollingwood
3205 Jones Road
Rollingwood, Texas 78745

- 14.03 **City of Austin Addresses.** The address of Austin for all purposes under this Agreement and for all notices hereunder shall be:

City of Austin
Office of the City Manager
City Hall
301 West 2nd Street, Third Floor
Austin, Texas 78767

With copies to:

Stephanie Hayden, Director
Health and Human Services Department
7201 Levander Loop, Building E
Austin, Texas 78702

Don Hastings, Assistant Director
Health and Human Services Department
P.O. Box 142529
Austin, Texas 78714

14.04 Change of Address. Each party may change the address for notice to it by giving notice of the change in compliance with Section 14.01 of the Agreement.

15.0 LAW AND VENUE

This Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Texas and all obligations under it are performable in Travis County, Texas. It is expressly understood that venue for any lawsuit or dispute arising out of or relating to this Agreement will be in Travis County.

16.0 COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS

Austin and Rollingwood shall observe and comply with the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Texas, and all applicable federal, state, City of Austin and Rollingwood laws, rules, ordinances and regulations affecting the conduct and performance of all obligations undertaken pursuant to this Agreement.

17.0 RESERVATION OF RIGHTS AND REMEDIES, NON-WAIVER; NO JOINT VENTURE

17.01 Rights and Remedies. If either party breaches this Agreement, the other party shall be entitled to any and all rights and remedies provided for by Texas law and any applicable Federal laws or regulations. All rights of Rollingwood and Austin, respectively, under this Agreement are specifically reserved and any payment, act or omission shall not impair or prejudice any remedy or right under this Agreement. Any right or remedy in this Agreement shall not preclude the exercise of any other right or remedy under this Agreement or under any law, nor shall any action taken in the exercise of any right or remedy be deemed a waiver of any other rights or remedies.

17.02 Non-Waiver. One or more acts of forbearance by either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement or any payment, act or omission by either party shall not constitute or be construed as a modification of this Agreement or a waiver of any breach or default of the other party which then exists or may subsequently exist.

17.03 Immunity or Defense. It is expressly understood and agreed that, in the execution of this Agreement, neither Austin nor Rollingwood waives nor shall be deemed to have

waived, any immunity or defense that would otherwise be available to it against claims arising in the exercise of its governmental powers and functions.

17.04 **No Joint Venture or Joint Enterprise/No Third Party Beneficiaries.** This Agreement shall not be construed to establish a joint venture or joint enterprise by the parties, nor shall this Agreement be construed to create or grant rights, contractual or otherwise, to any other person, or entity not a party to this Agreement.

18.0 **ASSIGNABILITY**

Neither party may assign any of the rights or duties created by this Agreement without the prior written approval of the other party. It is acknowledged by both parties that no officer, agent, employee or representative of either party has any authority to assign any part of this Agreement unless expressly granted that authority by the party's governing body.

19.0 **BINDING CONTRACT**

Subject to Section 18.0, this Agreement shall be binding upon the successors, assigns, administrators, and legal representatives of the parties to this Agreement.

20.0 **SEVERABILITY**

If any portion of this Agreement is ruled invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of it shall be construed as if that portion were not included in the Agreement and shall remain valid and binding.

21.0 **MEDIATION**

When mediation is acceptable to both parties in resolving a dispute arising under this Agreement, the parties agree to use the Dispute Resolution Center of Austin, Texas, for mediation as described in Section 154.023 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code. Unless both parties are satisfied with the result of the mediation, the mediation will not constitute a final and binding resolution of the dispute. All communications within the scope of the mediation shall remain confidential as described in Section 154.073 of the Texas Civil Practice and Remedies Code, unless both parties agree, in writing, to waive the confidentiality.

22.0 **INTERPRETATIONAL GUIDELINES**

22.01 **Computation of Time.** When any period of time is stated in this Agreement, the time shall be computed to exclude the first day and include the last day of the period. If the last day of any period falls on a Saturday, Sunday or a day that Rollingwood has declared a holiday for its employees it shall be omitted from the computation.

22.02 **Headings.** The headings at the beginning of the various provisions of this Agreement have been included only to make it easier to locate the subject matter covered by that section or subsection and are not to be used in construing this Agreement.

23.0 DESIGNATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

Approval of this Agreement by the City Council of Rollingwood constitutes Rollingwood's designation of its authority to enforce Rollingwood's ordinances regulating Food Enterprises swimming pools and spas, and custodial care and to collect related fees, as provided in this Agreement, to qualified personnel of Austin Public Health as Code Enforcement Officers of Rollingwood

Executed on this the 15th day of August, 2018.

CITY OF ROLLINGWOOD

By: [Signature]

Title: Mayor
City of Rollingwood

CITY OF AUSTIN

By: [Signature]

Title: Interim Assistant City Manager

ATTACHMENT A

City of Austin Fees

<u>Environmental Health Services Division</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Food Establishment Permits	
1-9 Employees	\$475.00/year
10-25 Employees	\$540.00/year
26-50 Employees	\$605.00/year
51-100 Employees	\$670.00/year
Over 100 Employees	\$734.00/year
Re-Inspections of Food Establishments	\$130.00
Additional Fees	
Food and Pool Permit Late Fee	\$100.00
Food & Pool Expedited or afterhours Inspection Fee	\$144.00
Food Establishment Ownership Change Inspections	\$192.00
Temporary Food Event Permits	
1 booth, 1 calendar day	\$35.00
1-5 calendar days, per booth	\$102.00
6-14 calendar days, per booth	\$155.00
Expedited Temporary Event Permit	\$100.00
Mobile Food Vendor Permits	
Application Fee	\$105.00/year
Re-inspection (Mobile)	\$130.00
Unrestricted/Unit	\$290.00/year
Restricted/Unit	\$212.00/year
AFD Fire Safety Inspection	\$125.00/year
AFD Fire Safety Re-inspection	\$75.00
Central Preparation Facility Registration	\$150.00/year
Certified Farmer's Market	
Class A	\$177.00/year
Class B	\$333.00/year
Class C	\$622.00/year
Plan Reviews	
Pool or Spa Plan	\$275.00
Food Establishment New	\$298.00
Remodel of Permitted Food Establishment	
>10,000 sq.ft.	\$298.00
2,500-10,000 sq.ft.	\$254.00
<2,500 sq.ft.	\$211.00
Inspections of Food Establishments (new or remodeled)	
Certificate of Occupancy (CO) Clearances	\$224.00
General Environmental/Licensing Inspections	
Child Care Facilities, Custodial, Foster Homes	\$110.00
Food Manager Certification	
Certificates	\$31.00
Duplicates	\$16.00
Swimming Pool/Spa Permits	
Swimming pools (Class A, C, D)	\$221.00 /year
Spa 1st system (Class A, C, D)	\$221.00 /year
Each additional spa system (Class A, C, D)	\$151.00 /year
Inspections of Pools & Spas (new or remodeled)	
Pool/Spa Certificate of Occupancy or Change of Ownership:	\$191.00
Re-inspections of Pools & Spas (Class A, C, D)	\$150.00
Food Establishment Variance Request Fee	\$290.00
Vending Machine Application Fee	\$120.00/year
Vending Machine Permit Fee (per machine)	\$25.00/year

