



AGENDA ITEM COMMENTARY

MEETING NAME:	City Council
MEETING DATE:	March 3, 2025
ITEM TITLE:	Consider and take appropriate action on Resolution 2025-009 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH APPROVING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WOLFFORTH AND REGION 16 EDUCATION SERVICE CENTER.
STAFF INITIATOR:	Rick Scott, ACM

BACKGROUND:

As we continue to evaluate our information technology and cyber security needs, I have found a resource that the city can use to look for and procure technology and services at competitive prices. This would require us to join another purchasing cooperative but there is no cost for the city to join.

TexBuy is a statewide purchasing cooperative hosted by Region 16 Education Service Center in Amarillo, Texas. TexBuy is the Texas representative of the national purchasing organization AEPA (Association of Educational Purchasing Agencies). Many of the awarded contracts offered through TexBuy were solicited nationally by AEPA, providing the most competitive pricing available.

Joining a purchasing cooperative can offer numerous benefits:

- **Cost Savings:** By leveraging the collective buying power of multiple entities, TexBuy can negotiate better prices for goods and services, resulting in significant cost savings for the city.
- **Efficiency:** TexBuy streamlines the procurement process, reducing the time and effort required to source and purchase items. This allows our city staff to focus on other important tasks.
- **Compliance:** TexBuy ensures that all procurement procedures comply with state and federal regulations.
- **Access to a Wide Range of Vendors:** TexBuy offers a diverse selection of vendors and contracts, providing the city with access to high-quality products and services.
- **Support and Resources:** TexBuy provides ongoing support and resources to its members, including training, procurement assistance, and access to a network of other member agencies.
- **Rebates and Incentives:** Members of TexBuy may be eligible for rebates and other financial incentives, further enhancing the cost savings.

EXHIBITS:

Resolution 2025-009

Interlocal Agreement

COUNCIL ACTION/STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff would recommend approving resolution 2025-009