



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Danny Barton, Chief of Police

Date: April 11, 2023

Reference: Consider the approval of an Interlocal Agreement with the Cities of Hurst, Euless, Bedford, Colleyville, Grapevine, and Coppell to share resources for vehicular accidents requiring advanced investigative skills; and authorizing the Mayor to sign.

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Introduction:

The purpose of this agenda item is to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Hurst, Euless, Bedford, Colleyville, and Grapevine to share resources for accidents requiring specialized investigators. The named five cities currently have an Interlocal Agreement. If the City Council approves this Interlocal Agreement, Coppell would be added to the resource sharing unit called the Combined Reconstruction & Accident Specialists, also known as C.R.A.S.H.

Background:

The Coppell Police Department currently participates in a shared accident investigation unit with Carrollton, Farmers Branch, and Addison. Coppell PD will continue to assist these cities when requested. The number of requests from these current cities have dropped significantly.

The officers who investigate these types of accidents receive advanced training in the areas of automobile vs. pedestrian, motorcycle, commercial, and automobile accident reconstruction. These skills need to be utilized on a more consistent basis.

Benefit to the Community:

Participation in this new resource sharing unit will help maintain our investigators' skills and will also provide the City of Coppell with additional resources for accidents that occur in Coppell.

Legal:

The City Attorney has reviewed the Interlocal Agreement.

Fiscal Impact:

There are no current fiscal impacts. If equipment is needed in the future, Coppell would be responsible for 1/6th of the cost.

Recommendation:

The Police Department recommends approval of this Interlocal Agreement.