



MEMORANDUM

To: Mayor and City Council

From: Kevin Richardson, Fire Chief

Date: August 11, 2020

Reference: Consider approval of an Agreement for Automatic Assistance between the City of Dallas and the City of Coppel Fire Department to provide first responder Emergency Medical Services for the Cypress Waters Development.

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Introduction:

The concept of Automatic Aid between the City of Dallas and City of Coppel has been previously presenting to City Council during the February 25, 2020 and March 20, 2020 Work Sessions. City Council gave me direction to pursue the concept and bring forth for consideration and approval.

Analysis:

This Automatic Aid Agreement and accompanying Memorandum of Understanding MOU is for the exchange of Emergency Medical Service EMS in the specified areas within the Cypress Waters Development. Dallas Fire-Rescue Department resources will provide simultaneous first responder EMS via Fire Apparatus. Coppel Fire Department Mobile Intensive Care Units MICU will respond as the primary ambulance service to medical emergencies, if requested, in the stipulated areas.

The opportunity exists and is being considered to enhance revenue for the City of Coppel. If approved, the City of Coppel will implement and coordinate any billing of services for patient care and hospital transport under the terms of this agreement. As a result, the City of Coppel will be the sole benefactor of all fees associated with billing patients for medical care and transport services provided. Fee structure will fall within the most current adopted fee schedule for a non-resident.

Historical data for the previous year indicates a relatively low call volume for the Cypress Waters Development and will have minimal impact on providing existing services within Coppell. The service area borders Coppell city limits and has a transport hospital in very close proximity. This combination will minimize down time and return units to service quickly. Both parties agree and have the right to terminate the agreement upon 90 days written notice.

Legal Review:

Agenda item was reviewed by Bob Hager on July 27, 2020

Fiscal Impact:

There is no fiscal impact of this agenda item.

Recommendation:

The Fire Department recommends approval.