

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CITIES OF BALCH SPRINGS, SEAGOVILLE, AND THE TOWN OF SUNNYVALE CREATING THE SOUTHEAST COLLABORATION CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM PER THE PROVISIONS OF THE DALLAS COUNTY NEW DIRECTIONS IN PUBLIC SAFETY GRANT AND APPOINTING THE CITY MANAGER AS THE AUTHORIZED OFFICIAL TO MANAGE, REJECT, ALTER, OR TERMINATE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on December 7, 2020, the Mesquite City Council approved Resolution No. 63-2020 authorizing the City Manager to execute and submit a multi-jurisdictional grant application to Dallas County under the New Directions in Public Safety Grant Program (“**Grant**”); and

WHEREAS, on May 3, 2021, the Mesquite City Council approved Resolution No. 23-2021 authorizing the acceptance of the Grant; and

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 23-2021 authorizes the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the cities of Balch Springs, Seagoville, and the Town of Sunnyvale to create the Southeast Collaboration Crisis Intervention Team (“**Team**”) and to establish the governance of the program per the provisions of the Grant; and

WHEREAS, the object of the Grant is to provide seed money to help cities and groups of cities address the crisis of criminalization, mental health, poverty, and homelessness, and utilize alternatives to police response and incarceration to address the needs of Dallas County residents; and

WHEREAS, the proposed program will establish a Team to provide proactive and reactive mental health services with professional mental health responders; and

WHEREAS, the Team will supplement public safety responses with the overall goal to reduce mental health calls responded to by police; and

WHEREAS, the City of Mesquite (the “**City**”) will serve as the sponsoring and coordinating jurisdiction for the program.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby (i) authorizes the City Manager on behalf of the City to execute an Interlocal Agreement with the cities of Balch Springs, Seagoville, and the Town of Sunnyvale creating the Southeast Collaboration Crisis Intervention Team per the

provisions of the Grant; and (ii) appoints the City Manager as the authorized official to manage, reject, alter, or terminate the Interlocal Agreement on behalf of the City.

SECTION 2. That should any word, sentence, clause, paragraph or provision of this resolution be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, the validity of the remaining provisions of this resolution shall not be affected and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. That this resolution shall go into effect immediately from and after its passage.

DULY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Texas, on the 21st day of June 2021.

Bruce Archer
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:

Sonja Land
City Secretary



David L. Paschall
City Attorney