

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MESQUITE, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO FINALIZE AND EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE DALLAS COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT d/b/a PARKLAND HEALTH & HOSPITAL SYSTEM FOR BIOTEL/EMS SYSTEM SOCIAL WORK AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL TECHNICIAN (EMT)/PARAMEDIC SUPPORT FOR THE SOUTHEAST COLLABORATION CRISIS INTERVENTION TEAM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,089.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22; 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 authorized the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Agreement with Dallas County to participate in the creation of the Southeast Collaboration Crisis Intervention Team (“**Team**”) and to establish the governance of the program per the provisions of the Grant; and

WHEREAS, on June 21, 2021, the Mesquite City Council approved Resolution No. 34-2021 authorizing the City Manager to execute an interlocal agreement with the cities of Balch Springs, Seagoville, and the Town of Sunnyvale to create the Team 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, an interlocal agreement between the Team and the Dallas County Hospital District will allow the Team to contract directly with Parkland for the professional field personnel assigned to this new Team; and

WHEREAS, this arrangement allows for online behavioral health and medical support for the Team through the BioTel/EMS System, assistance in drafting standard operating procedures for the Team responses, access to a broad network of mental health services utilized by Parkland on a daily basis, as well as patient documentation support through Parkland’s EPIC electronic medical records system; and establish a Team to provide proactive and reactive mental health services with professional mental health responders.

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

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby authorizes the City Manager to finalize, execute and administer an Interlocal Agreement with the Dallas County Hospital District d/b/a Parkland Health & Hospital System for BioTel/EMS System social work and Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)/paramedic support for the Southeast Collaboration Crisis Intervention Team in the amount of \$176,089.00 for Fiscal Year 2021-22.

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 16th day of August 2021.

Bruce Archer
Mayor

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL FORM:



Sonja Land
City Secretary

David L. Paschall
City Attorney