



CITY COUNCIL MEMORANDUM

FROM: The Office of the City Manager **DATE:** June 22, 2026
SUBJECT: Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for a period of five years with the Texas Division of Emergency Management for Texas Emergency Management Assistance Team Participation.
PRESENTER: Jase Smith, Assistant Fire Chief

SUMMARY:

This item is to authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Texas Division of Emergency Management (TDEM) for participation in the Texas Emergency Management Assistance Team (TEMAT) program. Approval of the MOU will allow the city to receive reimbursement for eligible personnel, equipment, travel, and other deployment-related expenses incurred when city staff is deployed in support of state emergency management operations and disaster response efforts.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The Texas Emergency Management Assistance Team (TEMAT) program provides a statewide framework for deploying qualified emergency management personnel and resources to support communities affected by disasters and large-scale emergencies. The City's participation in state mutual aid efforts provides several benefits, including enhanced interagency coordination, opportunities for personnel to gain valuable disaster response experience, and the ability to support communities across Texas during times of need. Participation also helps strengthen relationships with state and local emergency management partners, improving preparedness and response capabilities that may ultimately benefit our community during future emergencies.

While the City currently deploys personnel under state mutual aid assignments when requested, approval of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) formally establishes the City's participation in the TEMAT program and ensures that personnel, equipment, travel, and other eligible deployment-related expenses are reimbursed in accordance with program requirements. Execution of the MOU will allow the city to continue supporting statewide emergency response efforts.



RECOMMENDATION:

Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding for a period of five years with the Texas Division of Emergency Management for Texas Emergency Management Assistance Team Participation.