

AGENDA



Thursday, September 25, 2008

**Fire
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 26**

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Interlocal Agreement for Fire Protection Services between the City of Austin and the City of Sunset Valley for the Austin Fire Department to provide fire protection and emergency service response to the full purpose and extra-territorial jurisdiction of the City of Sunset Valley for a period of one year beginning October 1, 2008 with options to renew for up to three one year terms. The City of Sunset Valley shall pay Austin an amount to be determined by multiplying the current fiscal year assessed valuation of Sunset Valley by the Fire Protection Tax Rate.

Amount and Source of Funding: Anticipated Revenue for 2008-2009 is \$445,000. Fiscal Year 2009-2010 revenue is anticipated to be \$455,000.

Fiscal Note: There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

For More Information: Acting Fire Chief Jim Evans, 974-0132; Antonio Gonzalez, 974-4115

Prior Council Action: May 21, 1998; July 28, 2005

In July 1997, the Austin Fire Department responded to a request-for proposal (RFP) issued by the City of Sunset Valley for fire protection and emergency response services. As a result of successful negotiations, the Austin City Council authorized entering into an interlocal agreement on May 21, 1998. The Austin Fire Department began providing the full range of fire protection, fire prevention, and emergency medical response services on August 1, 1998.

On July 28, 2005, after expiration of the original interlocal agreement, the Austin City Council authorized entering into a new agreement with the City of Sunset Valley for fire protection and emergency service response services. The final one-year renewal term of that agreement will expire on September 30, 2008.

In consideration of the services provided by the Austin Fire Department, the City of Sunset Valley shall pay Austin an annual amount to be determined by multiplying the current fiscal year assessed valuation of the City of Sunset Valley by the Fire Protection Tax Rate.

The Fire Protection Tax Rate will be calculated by dividing the current fiscal year amended Austin Fire Department budget by the combined assessed valuations of Austin and Sunset Valley.