

AGENDA



Thursday, November 6, 2008

**Fire
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION****Item No. 18**

Subject: Authorize negotiation and execution of an Automatic Aid Agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County Emergency Service District 6 in order to provide additional fire protection and emergency service response resources for City and County areas adjacent to or near the Four Points intersection of RM 620 and RM 2222, for an initial term of one year beginning November 15, 2008, with up to four additional one-year renewal options.

Amount and Source of Funding: No funding is required.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is not required.

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

The Austin Fire Department would like to improve response times to the Four Points intersection area when Engine 39 is not available to respond or if multiple units are required for an incident response.

The Automatic Aid agreement will provide improved fire protection and emergency response. AFD Station 39 and Travis County Emergency Service District 6 (TCESD #6) Station 4 are both located less than two miles from the Four Points intersection, and units would be dispatched on the basis of nearest available unit to the incident location. AFD will monitor incident and response time performance in the area to determine the level of improvement in fire protection and emergency response after the effective date of the agreement.

The Agreement would also authorize locating a TCESD #6 unit and personnel at AFD Station 39. This joint AFD-TCESD #6 location is compatible with the concept of nearest unit response and should foster improved joint training and operating procedures between AFD and TCESD #6.