

Recommendation for Council Action

Austin City Council Item ID 58326 Agenda Number 19.

Meeting Date: 6/9/2016 Department: Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Subject

Authorize execution of an interlocal agreement with the County of Galveston, for the City of Austsin to provide temporary emergency shelter services for County of Galveston evacuees during mandatory evacuations.

Amount and Source of Funding

City of Austin General Fund monies will not be required. All reasonable expenses will be reimbursed by The State of Texas Division of Emergency Management when this sheltering system is activated.

Fiscal Note

Purchasing Language:	
Prior Council Action:	May 2006 - Council approved an initial agreement which was renewed for a period of five years. April 2011 - Council approved an updated agreement which was renewed for a period of five years.
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Additional Backup Information

For the past 10 years, the City of Austin has served as the emergency shelter point for hurricane evacuees from the County of Galveston. These "point-to-point" evacuees consist of persons who reside in the County of Galveston and do not have their own transportation to flee major hurricanes.

This agreement renews this arrangement with the County of Galveston. Up to 1000 evacuees may come to Austin from the County of Galveston for a period of 3 to 5 days. These evacuees are typically sheltered in Austin Convention Center or Palmer Events Center facilities.

It is expected that the State of Texas will reimburse the City of Austin for all reasonable expenses it incurs to temporarily shelter County of Galveston evacues who come to Austin during a mandatory evacuation, when the State of Texas Division of Emergency Management has activated the State's emergency sheltering system.