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COPY: City Council and City Clerk
SUBJECT: Resolution – Approval of Pierce County Mutual Aid Interlocal Agreement – October 6, 2015
DATE: September 21, 2015

SUMMARY:

The Tacoma Fire Department (TFD) is seeking City Council approval to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with other local governments to implement the Pierce County Mutual Aid Agreement.

COUNCIL SPONSORS:

N/A

STRATEGIC POLICY PRIORITY:

- Strengthen and support a safe city with healthy residents.
- Encourage and promote an efficient and effective government, which is fiscally sustainable and guided by engaged residents.

BACKGROUND:

The proposed Pierce County Mutual Aid Agreement will allow TFD and other signatory agencies to provide resources and equipment to assist their partners in the event of a major fire, disaster, or other emergency or in the case of certain non-emergent incidents such as coverage during a firefighter funeral in a nearby district. The agreement covers agencies and jurisdictions located within Pierce County in addition to those near or adjacent to Pierce County.

ISSUE:

City Council approval of Interlocal Agreements is required by state law. Approval of this agreement is needed to enable TFD to provide and receive resources and equipment during large-scale emergencies.

ALTERNATIVES:

TFD Operations would be significantly negatively impacted during large emergencies if unable to rely on or provide mutual aid.

RECOMMENDATION:

TFD recommends approval of the Pierce County Mutual Aid Agreement with surrounding fire jurisdictions to enhance community safety and service delivery.



FISCAL IMPACT:

Nominal—TFD will occasionally be called upon to assist a partner agency.

EXPENDITURES:

FUND NUMBER & FUND NAME *	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
TOTAL			

* General Fund: Include Department

REVENUES:

FUNDING SOURCE	COST OBJECT (CC/WBS/ORDER)	COST ELEMENT	TOTAL AMOUNT
TOTAL			

POTENTIAL POSITION IMPACT:

POSITION TITLE	PERMANENT/ PROJECT TEMPORARY POSITION	FTE IMPACT	POSITION END DATE
TOTAL			

This section should only be completed if a subsequent request will be made to increase or decrease the current position count.

FISCAL IMPACT TO CURRENT BIENNIAL BUDGET: N/A

ARE THE EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES PLANNED AND BUDGETED? N/A

IF EXPENSE IS NOT BUDGETED, PLEASE EXPLAIN HOW THEY ARE TO BE COVERED. N/A