

# **City of Denton**

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#### AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** POLICE

CM/ DCM/ ACM: Sara Hensley, City Manager

DATE: July 15, 2025

#### **SUBJECT**

Consider adoption of an ordinance of the City of Denton authorizing the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Contract in the form of a Memorandum of Understanding with the State of Texas, Texas Department of Public Safety, establishing responsibilities, policies, and guidelines for the Denton Police Department to conduct Federal Safety Regulation Inspections; and providing an effective date.

## BACKGROUND

Since 2006, the Denton Police Department has worked cooperatively with the Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) on Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Enforcement (CMV). The goal of CMV safety enforcement is to reduce commercial motor vehicle accidents, fatalities, and injuries through consistent, uniform, and effective CMV safety programs. The CMV program detects, corrects or temporarily puts out of service commercial vehicles that exhibit safety defects, driver deficiencies, and unsafe motor carrier practices before they become contributing factors to crashes and a hazard to the citizens of Denton.

DPS provides training, testing and certification of officers within the Traffic Section of the police department who are assigned to commercial motor vehicle enforcement activities. These officers may conduct random, in-person observation of weight enforcement inspections to ensure adherence to the Department of Public Safety certification standards. In order to perform enforcement activities under Chapter 621, the Police Department is required to enter a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Department of Public Safety in order to ensure uniformity with state and federal enforcement guidelines. This agreement must be renewed every two (2) years and will be effective from August 1, 2025, to August 1, 2027.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Staff recommends Council approve this ordinance.

#### PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW (Council, Boards, Commissions)

Council approved Ordinance 19-1917 on August 13, 2019, Ordinance 21-1447 on July 27, 2021, and Ordinance 23-1475 on August 15, 2023.

## **FISCAL INFORMATION**

No cost to the City of Denton.

# **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet Exhibit 2 – Ordinance - MOU

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