



## Legislation Text

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### AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

**DEPARTMENT:** Materials Management

**ACM:** Bryan Langley

**AGENDA DATE:** August 16, 2016

#### **SUBJECT**

Consider adoption of an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute a Cooperative Agreement with Denton County Probation Department under Section 791.001 of the State of Texas Government Code, to authorize the City of Denton to utilize community services workers on various projects and services with no funds expected to be authorized for this program; and declaring an effective date (File 6199).

#### **FILE INFORMATION**

This Agreement will allow various City of Denton Departments to assist with facilitating the efforts of the Denton County Probation Department's Community Service program. The Probation Department assesses suitability of offenders for Community Service, organizes the work placements, and manages the probationers subjected to Community Service orders on behalf of Denton County Courts. Community Service offers offenders, through unpaid work on Community Service, the opportunity to repair the harm done to the community. Community Service work benefits the City of Denton, by providing labor resources to assist with some of the following work:

1. Ground clearance work and general landscaping projects
2. Graffiti removal and environmental work
3. Recycling projects
4. Litter removal
5. Improvements to parks and community facilities
6. Painting and decorating
7. General cleaning
8. General mowing and weed eating
9. Working with library participants
10. Supporting local initiatives

Each offender is carefully assessed before they are assigned to a work project or placement by both the County Probation Department and the City Department staff. Since June 30, 2015, Community Service workers have completed 5764.55 hours with the City of Denton.

Section 791.001 of the Texas Government Code requires that all interlocal contracts must be authorized by the

governing body, regardless of the dollar amount. The only exception to this is municipally owned electric utilities-these entities have a \$100,000 threshold before authorization by the governing body is required.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

Approve an Interlocal Agreement with Denton County Probation Department to coordinate and access the Community Service Work Program.

## **PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS**

Denton County  
110 West Hickory Street  
Denton, TX 76201

## **ESTIMATED SCHEDULE OF PROJECT**

This Agreement is effective upon approval by the City of Denton and will remain in effect until terminated by either party.

## **FISCAL INFORMATION**

The City of Denton will access the Community Service Work Program at no cost.

## **STRATEGIC PLAN RELATIONSHIP**

The City of Denton's Strategic Plan is an action-oriented road map that will help the City achieve its vision. The foundation for the plan is the five long-term Key Focus Areas (KFA): Organizational Excellence; Public Infrastructure; Economic Development; Safe, Livable, and Family-Friendly Community; and Sustainability and Environmental Stewardship. While individual items may support multiple KFAs, this specific City Council agenda item contributes most directly to the following KFA and goal:

**Related Key Focus Area:**     **Organizational Excellence**  
**Related Goal:**                **1.1 Manage financial resources in a responsible manner**

## **EXHIBITS**

Exhibit 1: Ordinance  
Exhibit 2: Interlocal Agreement with Denton County

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