



**AGENDA ITEM REQUEST FORM  
CITY OF JOHNSON CITY, TEXAS  
CITY COUNCIL**

**ITEM NO. 13**

**MEETING DATE:** June 1, 2021

**AGENDA PLACEMENT:**

- Ceremonial
- Consent
- Individual
- Closed Session

**CAPTION:**

Discussion of and action on a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the ESD regarding the FY 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant. (Staff)

**STRATEGIC WORK PLAN:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Goal 5: Improve Fire Safety                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 1: Increase Housing Diversity      | <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 6: Improve Streets                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 2: Expand Quality Lodging          | <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 7: Increase Publicity & Promotion of the Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 3: Improve Code Enforcement        | <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 8: Increase Economic Development Activities        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Goal 4: Improve Streetscaping & Signage |  |

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:**

On May 13, 2021, Mayor Stell, Councilmen Coleman and Young, and City Staff met with ESD President O'Bannon and Board Member Kirk McElhinney regarding the City's FY 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for the replacement of antiquated fire hydrants and the installation of insertion valves throughout the City.

President O'Bannon informed the City that the ESD would provide supplemental funding of \$50,000.00 to the City for project completion should the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) approve the City's CDBG application. The proposed MoU accomplishes the following:

1. The ESD agrees to contribute \$50,000.00 toward the application and grant administration costs, and engineering fees associated with the project, payable to the City within sixty (60) days following approval by the TDA of the City's grant application; and
2. The City shall consult with the ESD on specifications of improvements for the project.

**FINANCIAL:** \$50,000.00 contribution.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

- A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the ESD regarding the FY 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant.

**SUGGESTED ACTION:**

Motion to approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Johnson City approving the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the ESD regarding the FY 2021-2022 Community Development Block Grant.

**PREPARED BY:** City Staff

**DATE SUBMITTED:** 5/25/21

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JOHNSON CITY APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY AND THE NORTH BLANCO COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 1 REGARDING THE FY 2021-22 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT.**

**Recitals**

**Whereas**, the City Council of the City of Johnson City (“City”) has applied for a Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) for Fiscal Year 2021-22 to be issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture (“TDA”) for the replacement, repair, and/or addition of malfunctioning fire hydrants and insertion valves throughout the City; and

**Whereas**, the application is for a grant total of \$350,000 for the replacement, repair, and/or addition of 19 malfunctioning fire hydrants and 12 insertion valves, and the City’s share of the cost total \$117,150; and

**Whereas**, the North Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 1 (“ESD”) desires to assist the City’s efforts to improve and upgrade its facilities in order to provide adequate fire service protection to the citizens of the City, and in turn, Blanco County; and

**Whereas**, the City Council and ESD desire to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”), attached hereto as Exhibit “A” and incorporated fully herein, for the ESD’s assistance.

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** by the City Council of the City of Johnson City that:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are adopted as facts and incorporated fully herein.

Section 2. The City Council approves the terms in the MOU and authorizes the Mayor to execute the MOU on behalf of the City and to deliver copies of this Resolution to the ESD.

Section 3. This Resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption by the City Council.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Johnson City, Texas on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2021.

APPROVED:

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Rhonda Stell  
Mayor

ATTEST:

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Rick Schroder  
Chief Administrative Officer / City Secretary

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

between

The City of Johnson City and  
The North Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 1

This Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) is entered into by and between the City of Johnson City (“City”) and the North Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 1 (“ESD”), collectively “the Parties”.

**Whereas**, the Parties, in their respective roles and in accordance with their governmental duties, jointly provide fire service protection to the citizens and residents of the City; and

**Whereas**, the City’s function is limited to the provision of improvements and facilities for fire protection; and

**Whereas**, the ESD’s role is the provision of fire protection services which requires the use of available City facilities; and

**Whereas**, the City desires to upgrade and improve its facilities and has applied for a Community Development Block Grant (“CDBG”) for Fiscal Year 2021-22 to be issued by the Texas Department of Agriculture (“TDA”) for the replacement, repair, and/or addition of malfunctioning fire hydrants and insertion valves throughout the City; and

**Whereas**, the application is for a grant total of \$350,000 for the replacement, repair, and/or addition of 19 malfunctioning fire hydrants and 12 insertion valves as depicted on Exhibit “C”, attached hereto and incorporated fully herein; and

**Whereas**, the City’s application fees and costs total \$117,150, and include \$2,400 for the application fee, \$40,250 for the grant administration fee, \$35,000 for the City’s cash match/contribution, and \$39,500 for engineering fees; and

**Whereas**, the ESD desires to assist the City’s efforts to improve its facilities in recognition and acknowledgment that these efforts will unequivocally, in turn, enhance its statutory duties in providing adequate fire service protection to the citizens of the City, and in turn, Blanco County; and

**Whereas**, the Parties desire to enter into this MOU for the ESD assistance.

**Now, therefore**, it is mutually understood and agreed between the Parties as follows:

1. The ESD agrees to contribute \$50,000 toward the application and grant administration costs, and engineering fees associated with the project, payable to the City within 60 days following approval by the TDA of the City’s grant application.

2. The ESD shall draft and provide to the City all documents necessary for the contribution.

3. The City shall consult with the ESD on specifications of improvements for the project.

4. The ESD shall not be responsible for any contribution to the City if the grant is not approved and/or funded.

5. This MOU is effective on the date of the last signature of the Parties. This MOU shall automatically terminate and become void if the application for the grant is not approved.

**In witness whereof**, the Parties execute this Agreement as of the last written date indicated below and in accordance with the Resolutions of the City Council of the City dated June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021, and the Board of Directors of the North Blanco County Emergency Services District No. 1 dated June \_\_\_\_\_, 2021, both attached as Exhibits "A" and "B", respectively.

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Rhonda Stell  
Mayor  
City of Johnson City, Texas

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David O'Bannon  
President  
North Blanco Co. ESD No. 1

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Attest:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Rick Schroder, City Secretary

Date: \_\_\_\_\_