

# Harris County, Texas

## **Legislation Text**

File #: 21-5403, Version: 1

**Department:** Flood Control District

Department Head/Elected Official: Alan R. Black, P.E., Interim Executive Director

Regular or Supplemental RCA: Regular RCA

Type of Request: Negotiation

Project ID (if applicable): N/A

Vendor/Entity Legal Name (if applicable): City of Houston - Houston Airport System

MWDBE Participation (if applicable): N/A

## Request Summary (Agenda Caption):

Request for approval to negotiate an interlocal agreement with the City of Houston - Houston Airport System for wildlife hazard management services on an as needed back up basis in accordance with the Federal Aviation Administration Circular 150-5200-33C requirement. (Countywide).

## **Background and Discussion:**

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) regulates wildlife hazards caused by wildlife attractants, such as wet bottom ponds and wetland mitigation banks near airports, in the interest of preventing aircraft-wildlife collisions. Based upon these FAA regulations the District has an obligation to manage wildlife on District property. These services must be conducted by a Qualified Airport Wildlife Biologist and is often time sensitive. The District & the City of Houston - Houston Airport System (COH-HAS) would like to enter into an Interlocal Agreement (ILA) to provide rapid response wildlife management services to each other in the case either agency is unable to use their internal resources.

#### **Expected Impact:**

This will only be implemented in the case an agency's own resources are unable to provide these services. In this case an agency utilizing the other agency's resources will cover the cost for the services. There is no additional staff needed to implement this agreement.

## **Alternative Options:**

Under FAA rules these activities must be undertaken by a Qualified Airport Wildlife Biologist. This requirement restricts the availability of resources. The District is beginning the process of procuring these services on an on-call basis through a County contract. Due to the potential severity of aircraft-wildlife collisions, this ILA with COH-HAS is a back-up agreement in the event their normal contractors are unable to provide these services.

## Alignment with Goal(s):

Justice and Safety

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_ Economic Opportunity	
_ Housing	
_ Public Health	
_ Transportation	
_ Flooding	

\_ Governance and Customer Service

X Environment

Prior Court Action (if any): N/A						
Date	Agenda Item #	Action Taken				

## **Location:**

Address (if applicable): N/A Precinct(s): Countywide

Fiscal and Perso	nnel Summa	ary			
Service Name N/	N/A		FY 21-22	Estimates	
				FY 22	Next 3 FYs
Incremental Expen	ditures		•	•	
Labor Expenditures			-	-	-
Non-Labor Expenditures			-	-	-
Total Incremental Expenditures			-	-	-
Funding Sources (G	General Fund, P	C Fund, Debt or C	P, Grants, or Ot	ther - Please Spe	cify)
Existing Budget		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
Total Current Budget		-	-	-	
Additional Budget Requested	Requested	-	-	-	-
		-	-	-	-
	_	-	-	-	-
Total Additional Budget Requested			-	-	-
Total Funding Sources			-	-	-
Personnel (Fill out s	ection only if re	equesting new PCI	Ns)	•	•
Current Position Count for Service		-	-	-	
Additional Positions Requested			-	-	-
Total Personnel			Ī-	-	-

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Anticipated Implementation Date: October 12, 2021

Emergency/Disaster Recovery Note: Not an emergency, disaster, or COVID-19 related item

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Attachments (if applicable): N/A