

April 3, 2017

## **CITY COUNCIL AGENDA MEMORANDUM**

### **SUBJECT**

Resolution authorizing execution of the Emergency Assistance Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District.

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

Adopting this Resolution will authorize the City to pay for the use of resources, equipment or services borrowed from Bellevue School District. It also authorizes the City to lend such resources, equipment or services to Bellevue School District. There are no matching fund requirements for this agreement.

This agreement may be implemented at the discretion of the District Deputy Superintendent, the Emergency Preparedness Manager or their respective designees. Payment for the use of equipment shall be at the Lender's current equipment rate. If no written rates have been established, they will be based on the hourly operating costs set forth in the FEMA *Schedule of Equipment Rates* current at the time of the loan.

### **STAFF CONTACTS**

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### **POLICY CONSIDERATION**

Should the City of Bellevue agree to established terms when using emergency assistance mutual aid with Bellevue School District?

### **BACKGROUND**

The agreement delineates the terms in which the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District, will lend resources, equipment and services to aid each other in the event of an emergency. The purpose is to establish an agreement prior to an emergency, in order to have a mechanism in place that can facilitate an immediate response without unnecessary administrative delays. In 2006, the City of Bellevue signed an agreement with Bellevue School District that facilitated and encouraged mutual Emergency Assistance. In an emergency, both entities have resources and personnel that may be vital to response and recovery operations. This agreement dictated the conditions in which the two entities would lend their resources, equipment and services to each other in the event of an emergency.

Resources could include, equipment, supplies, facilities, and personnel. The intention of this agreement was to establish terms in advance of an emergency, so as to prevent unnecessary delays. This original agreement was in place for approximately ten years.

After the ten-year mark, it was determined there was a need to review and update this agreement to ensure the agreement contains accurate information and that it facilitates the most effective and efficient

emergency response possible. With this in mind, a number of necessary revisions were made to the original agreement including, but not limited to, the following: updating critical contact information for both entities, establishing automatic renewal of the agreement, extending time frames for borrowing resources and altering the indemnification language.

Both the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District recognize the importance of maintaining the strong relationship they have maintained over the years. Having this agreement in place prior to an emergency is a prime example of how those pre-existing relationships can improve emergency response for both entities and provide the best possible level of service for the residents and students in Bellevue.

#### **EFFECTIVE DATE**

If approved, this Resolution becomes effective immediately upon Council adoption.

#### **OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Resolution authorizing execution of the Emergency Assistance Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District.
2. Do not adopt the Resolution and provide alternative direction to staff.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

Option 1

#### **MOTION**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 9252 authorizing execution of the Emergency Assistance Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Proposed Resolution No. 9252

#### **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL DOCUMENT LIBRARY**

Emergency Assistance Mutual Aid Agreement between the city of Bellevue and Bellevue School District.