

**CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION**

Ordinance amending the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget adopted on December 3, 2018, as previously amended, is hereby further amended, to increase the appropriation by \$410,651 and authorizing administrative officials to receive and expend said funds on behalf of the East Metro Training Group (EMTG) to provide entry-level and on-going training to fire personnel with Bellevue Fire and the other seven (7) EMTG partners.

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**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This Ordinance will increase the appropriation by \$410,651 and authorize administrative officials to receive and expend said funds on behalf of EMTG to provide entry-level and on-going training to fire personnel with Bellevue Fire and the other seven EMTG partners.

**RECOMMENDATION**

Move to adopt Ordinance No. 6485  
If approved, effective date: 11/29/2019

**BACKGROUND/ANALYSIS**

The EMTG is a regional training group formed to coordinate and consolidate training opportunities and resources for eight fire agencies located on the eastside of Lake Washington, representing approximately 760 firefighters. Fire departments cross jurisdictions daily through mutual aid agreements and collectively work together to mitigate emergencies of all types. During large scale incidents, coordination is needed to ensure smooth operations and positive outcomes. Joint training has allowed for the development of standardized "Best Practices" thereby increasing the operational safety for fire personnel and effectiveness of the services for our communities.

In the past year, training activities for EMTG have continued to increase due to retirements in all partner agencies. In 2019, EMTG will train approximately 44 new fire recruits in two academies and will provide multi-company operations drills and ongoing training for eight EMTG partners. The proposed budget amendment is fully revenue supported by all participating EMTG partners.

**POLICY & FISCAL IMPACTS****Policy Impact**City Council Vision Priorities 2018-2020

Regional Leadership and Influence - Bellevue will lead, catalyze, and partner with our neighbors throughout the region.

### City Financial Policy

Pursuant to RCW35A.34.200(d), the expenditures in the final budget shall constitute the City's appropriations for the fiscal biennium. Under provisions of State law and the City's operating procedures, the operating budget may be amended by an ordinance that amends the original budget and states the sources of funding for incremental appropriations.

### **Fiscal Impact**

EMTG was established by interlocal agreement in 2013 (City of Bellevue Ordinance No. 6130) and the City currently serves as its administrative and fiscal agent. The appropriation request includes the following:

2019 Beginning Balance	\$119,845
2019 Annual Fees & Other Training	\$57,382
2019 Fall Training Academy	\$233,424
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$410,651</b>

### **OPTIONS**

1. Adopt the Ordinance amending the 2019-2020 General Fund Budget adopted on December 3, 2018, as previously amended, is hereby further amended, to increase the appropriation by \$410,651 and authorizing administrative officials to receive and expend said funds on behalf of the East Metro Training Group (EMTG) to provide entry-level and on-going training to fire personnel with Bellevue Fire and the other seven (7) EMTG partners.
2. Do not adopt the Ordinance and provide alternative direction to staff.

### **ATTACHMENTS & AVAILABLE DOCUMENTS**

Proposed Ordinance No. 6485

### **AVAILABLE IN COUNCIL LIBRARY**

EMTG Interlocal Agreement