CITY OF MANSFIELD



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Discussion and Possible Action for a Potential Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with Mansfield Independent School District (MISD)

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Per the Interlocal Agreement the City of Mansfield executed with Tarrant County in July of 2020, the City has received CARES Act funding to be used for reimbursements of expenditures directly related to the COVID-19 public health emergency. In an effort to help stop the spread of COVID-19, the City of Mansfield has taken steps internally to provide virtual and socially distanced opportunities to conduct day-to-day business. However, this is an issue that has impacted the entire community including our school district with regard to distance learning curriculum.

Staff has discussed with MISD the possibility of utilizing some of the City allocated dollars to assist with the purchase of and monthly service plans for wireless hotspots as well as Chromebooks for those students who may not have reliable access to high speed internet service at home. Pursuant to CARES Act reimbursement regulations, the amount allocated only funds related wireless service through December 30, 2020. Staff is currently working through the reimbursement process with Tarrant County identifying internal costs, and asks for approval to work with MISD on executing an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement.

Chapter 791 of the Government Code, also known as the Inter-local Cooperation Contract Act, authorizes all local governments to contract with each other to perform governmental functions or services.

An Inter-local Cooperation Agreement with the MISD allows for us to provide for the same regulations as required by the City of Mansfield under the CARES Act.

CARES Act Funds

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