



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR
December 14, 2021

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager
 Submitted by: Abraham Roman, Chief, Fire Department
 Subject: Revenue Contract: Funding from an Instructional Service Agreement with Los Positas College to support Fire Department Training.

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager or her designee to enter an Instructional Service Agreement (ISA) with Los Positas Community College (LPC) to provide contract instruction, assessment, and counseling services from July 20, 2021, to July 19, 2024 for an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per fiscal year.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

The term of this contract's base period runs from July 20, 2021, through July 19, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per year with an option to extend for one (1) additional year for a total of four (4) years. Under this agreement the Fire Department is eligible to receive \$4.00 per student instructional hour for training provided to its employees. Funds received will be deposited to 011-72-742-836-0000-000-000-441990 .

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

The mission of the Fire Department is to protect life, property and the environment through emergency response, prevention, and community preparedness. This is accomplished by striving to meet the Department's vision of embracing public service and to be recognized as a leader responding effectively with **well-trained** and compassionate professionals.

The Fire Department conducts extensive training for its employees throughout the fiscal year. Under the ISA, fire department employees may be enrolled as students with LPC for specific classes as mutually determined by the Department and LPC staff. Eligible student training hours will be submitted to LPC which will provide the employee with an appropriate amount of college credit and the city apportionment fees of up to \$4 per eligible contact hour.

BACKGROUND

The mission of the Fire Department has been substantially expanded over the past 40 years. The expansion requires enhanced knowledge, skill and ability from fire department personnel that can only be achieved and maintained through a diligent and on-going commitment to education, training, and development. To meet that challenge, employees require training and support from properly staffed and funded training staff operating from an appropriately sized and resourced training facility. This agreement represents one step the Department is taking as part of a multi-year project to align the Department's Division of Training with this vision.

ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE IMPACTS

Funding from this agreement will help prepare and train emergency responders to successfully respond to challenging and complex emergency incidents driven by climate change, more efficiently mitigate structural fires, and control hazardous materials spills, that threaten our environment and local habitat.

RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

Funding under this agreement will help fund new training projects and initiatives for which the Department would otherwise not have an identified funding source.

ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

None.

CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:

1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

REVENUE CONTRACT: FUNDING FROM AN INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH LOS POSITAS COLLEGE TO SUPPORT FIRE DEPARTMENT TRAINING.

WHEREAS, the mission of the Fire Department is to protect life, property and the environment through emergency response, prevention, and community preparedness; and

WHEREAS, this is accomplished by striving to meet the Department's vision of embracing public service and to be recognized as a leader who responds effectively with well-trained and compassionate professionals; and

WHEREAS, the mission of the Department has been substantially expanded over the past 40 years requiring enhanced knowledge, skill and ability from employees that can only be achieved and maintained through a diligent and on-going commitment to education, training, and development; and

WHEREAS, to meet that challenge, employees require support from a properly staffed and funded training staff operating from an appropriately sized and resourced facility; and

WHEREAS, this agreement represents one step the Department is taking as part of a multi-year project to align the Department's Division of Training with this vision.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager or her designee is authorized to effectuate an Instructional Service Agreement (ISA) with Los Positas Community College (LPC) to provide contract instruction, assessment, and counseling services from July 20, 2021, to July 19, 2024 in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 per fiscal year.