

Agenda Report

Fullerton City Council

MEETING DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021

TO: CITY COUNCIL / SUCCESSOR AGENCY

SUBMITTED BY: STEVE DANLEY, ACTING CITY MANAGER

PREPARED BY: ADAM LOESER, FIRE CHIEF

SUBJECT: AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT WITH PLACENTIA

CANCELLATION

SUMMARY

Request cancellation of June 16, 2020 Automatic Aid Agreement with the City of Placentia and the subsequent negotiation of a Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Fullerton and City of Placentia for the provision of certain fire services.

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. Cancel Automatic Aid Agreement and Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Fullerton and the City of Placentia pursuant to the 60-day termination clause.
- 2. Authorize City Manager and Fullerton Fire Chief to negotiate a Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Fullerton and the City of Placentia.

PRIORITY POLICY STATEMENT

This item matches the following Priority Policy Statements:

Public Safety.

FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact.

DISCUSSION

The City of Fullerton and the City of Placentia established an Automatic Aid Agreement based on specific operating parameters and performance expectations prior to the start of the Placentia Fire Life Safety Department on July 1, 2020. An Automatic Aid Agreement requires each city to respond immediately to a request for firefighting assistance. This differs from a Mutual Aid Agreement which requires a response from

the called Fire Department only if they have resources on hand to assist at the time called. The current Automatic Aid Agreement between Fullerton and Placentia and its corresponding Memorandum of Understanding outline specific deliverables and capabilities. The City of Placentia has not sufficiently met many of these deliverables and capabilities to the satisfaction of the City of Fullerton Fire Department. The Fire Department can provide specific examples upon request.

Staff recommends that the City of Fullerton cancel its Automatic Aid Agreement and the MOU with the City of Placentia pursuant to the 60-day termination clause. The City of Fullerton and the City of Placentia Fire Chiefs will then negotiate a Mutual Aid Agreement for each agency's City Council consideration.

Attachments:

- Attachment A Automatic Aid Agreement City of Placentia
- Attachment B Memorandum of Understanding