

**AGENDA**



**Recommendation for Council Action**

Austin City Council	Item ID	37981	Agenda Number	35.
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Meeting Date:	12/11/2014	Department:	Austin Fire Department
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**Subject**

Approve the execution of an amendment to renew the interlocal agreement between the City and Travis County to integrate management of hazardous material containment, and incidents, by sharing personnel, equipment, technology and data.

**Amount and Source of Funding**

**Fiscal Note**

A fiscal note is not required.

Purchasing Language:	
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Prior Council Action:	October 24, 2013 – Council originally approved the interlocal agreement approving the authorization and execution of the interlocal agreement between the City and Travis County to integrate management of hazardous material containment, especially responding to hazardous material incidents, by sharing personnel, equipment, technology and data. The initial term of the agreement was one year and provides that the parties may renew it for up to five additional one year terms on mutual consent.
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**Additional Backup Information**

The purpose of the agreement between the City of Austin and Travis County is to establish a cooperative working relationship between the two entities that establishes the Austin Fire Department (AFD) as having primary responsibility for providing resources and assigning an appropriate response to incidents involving the mitigation and containment of chemical, biological, nuclear or radiological events. City and County will integrate their efforts to manage hazardous material (hazmat) containment and responding to hazmat incidents by sharing personnel, equipment, technology and data.

AFD will dispatch hazmat services including the notification of Travis County first responders; monitor the readiness and training of 19 hazmat technicians on duty and/or on call 24-7; use the National Incident Management System (NIMS) to establish on-scene incident command; report hazmat incidents to designated County personnel; provide hazmat equipment and vehicle replacement as scheduled; bill for cost recovery and provide collection reports on qualifying incidents occurring in the County; and be the custodian of hazmat-related records. The County will maintain a County Hazmat Liaison.