

## Legislation Text

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**PRESENTER:**

Jared Werner, Assistant City Manager

**SUBJECT:**

Approval of a service provider contract renewal with Emergency Services District No. 7 (ESD7) and authorizing the City Manager to enter into the agreement

**DEPARTMENT:** Fire Department/Finance

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** N/A

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The City of New Braunfels has contracted with ESD #7 for emergency services provided to the district by New Braunfels Fire Department (NBFD) since October 1, 2008. In 2014, the agreement between the two entities was renewed for an additional seven years. The relationship between the ESD and the City has been very beneficial for both parties. Therefore, it is recommended to renew the contract for an additional seven-year period.

The Fire Department provides all the emergency services to residents and visitors in the District as we would for those within the City with the exception of some prevention activities. In addition, the New Braunfels Fire Marshal has no legal authority within the jurisdictional boundaries of the ESD.

In return for the services provided, ESD #7 pays the City a fee. The fee is calculated in such a way to determine the proportional allocation of the NBFD operating budget based on the percentage of calls for service that occur within ESD #7. This calculation is included as an exhibit in the attached contract. The contract also provides an opportunity for the district to contribute additional dollars to directly support the operating and maintenance costs associated with the department's capital equipment such as fire apparatus, medic units, brush trucks, etc. This additional contribution is to be determined annually between the fire department and ESD #7 board. The contract also states that the calculation and funding request for the upcoming fiscal year is required to be provided to the district no later than July 15<sup>th</sup> to provide the board with ample time to develop their budget and proposed tax rate.

**ISSUE:**

N/A

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

In FY 2022, the total payment for services is approximately \$1.8 million. As mentioned above, the payment will adjust based on the Fire Department's operating budget and percentage of calls that occur within the

district.

**RECOMMENDATION:**  
Staff recommends approval.