



City of Austin

Recommendation for Action

File #: 26-1021, **Agenda Item #:** 39.

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Posting Language

Authorize negotiation and execution of an interlocal agreement with the Austin Community College District for the Criminal Justice Degree Program to provide college credits to Austin Police Department Cadet Training Academy cadets obtaining Texas Commission on Law Enforcement certifications for an initial term of two years with up to three two-year extension options. Funding: This item has no fiscal impact.

Lead Department

Austin Police Department.

Fiscal Note

This item has no fiscal impact.

For More Information:

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Additional Backup Information:

The parties will negotiate and execute an interlocal agreement to assist the City, through the Austin Police Department (APD) Cadet Training Academy, in the development and implementation of a program that provides peace officer cadets with opportunities to pursue higher education, including the granting of college credit for cadet instruction. APD Cadet Academy instructors will be verified by the Department Chair for Criminal Justice at Austin Community College (ACC), who will document that cadets under consideration for ACC course credit have passed the sections of the cadet training that have been identified as coinciding with ACC courses. Upon successful completion of all Academy requirements and course completion, each graduating cadet will receive the equivalent of eighteen (18) college credit hours which also reflect Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) competencies. ACC will pay the administrative costs associated with the matriculation of the APD cadets in the Basic Peace Officer I - IV Continuing Education courses.

APD will be responsible for all costs associated with the administration of the TCOLE testing, as well as pay the salaries, benefits payroll taxes, and other costs associated with the instruction of the courses separately based on TCOLE training and instruction at the Academy therefore there is no cost under this agreement. APD Cadet Academy Instructors will be approved by ACC's Criminal Justice Department Chair at no cost. APD cadets will pay any required Admissions and Records fees required by the State of Texas, as instructed by ACC Admissions.