



## Legislation Text

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Consider and take action on a resolution authorizing an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Texas City concerning the expansion of the Texas City Regional Bomb Squad utilizing League City Police Department personnel (Chief of Police)

Roughly 750,000 officers serve our country in a sworn law enforcement capacity. Fewer than one-third of one percent are federally certified as Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) technicians. These positions are highly regulated and most agencies will never possess an EOD asset within their ranks. League City is currently in a unique position to join an existing EOD unit and secure this capability for our community. This asset will dramatically expand the crisis mitigation capabilities of our organization and increase our service delivery assets to our citizens.

If approved, this agreement will mutually benefit League City Police Department and Texas City Police Department by creating a broader regional law enforcement asset. As much of the equipment has been procured through grant funding already, League City will also benefit from a dramatically reduced cost of implementing an EOD component to serve our citizens. The selected officers will also have access to expanded equipment resources and federally funded training, while adding a response capability to improvised explosive devices (IED), unexploded military ordnance, commercial explosives, and illegal fireworks reported by citizens within our communities. EOD personnel will also be trained and equipped to detect and render safe chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear devices. In addition, EOD team members will conduct post blast investigations, recruit training, dignitary protection, and event security planning. IED and suspicious package awareness training will also be provided to local law enforcement, citizens, and business owners within our city.

### CONTRACT ORIGINATION:

Contract originated from the City of Texas City Police Department. Approved by City Attorney.

### ATTACHMENTS:

1. Data Sheet
2. Proposed Resolution
3. Proposed Interlocal Agreement (Exhibit A)

### FUNDING

{x} NOT APPLICABLE

{ } Funds are available from Account # \_\_\_\_\_

{ } Requires Budget Amendment to transfer from Account # \_\_\_\_\_ to Account # \_\_\_\_\_