



## Legislation Text

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### **SUBJECT/RECOMMENDATION:**

Approve the Fire Protection Services Agreement between Pinellas County Fire Protection Authority and City of Clearwater for a five-year term extending through September 30, 2024 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. (consent)

### **SUMMARY:**

The Pinellas County Fire Protection Authority is a special district created for the purpose of providing fire protection services throughout the unincorporated areas of Pinellas County, pursuant to Chapter 73-600, Laws of Florida.

Pinellas County has contracted with various municipalities and independent special fire districts in the County to provide fire protection services. Through this contract, Clearwater Fire & Rescue will provide fire suppression services; investigations of fires; inspection of commercial, industrial and multi-family dwellings; plan reviews and final fire inspections; and fire prevention/life safety public education to the residents of the City of Clearwater and to individuals within the unincorporated area of Pinellas County that is located within the Clearwater Fire Control District. .

Pinellas County Fire Protection Authority will continue to compensate Clearwater Fire and Rescue for the fiscal year commencing October 1, 2019 under the same terms as the previous contract. Under this year's 5-year contract, 11.31% of the Clearwater Fire District was determined to be unincorporated Pinellas County. Therefore, the County will reimburse the City 11.31% of the net department budget or approximately \$2 million for each fiscal year 2019-2024 to fulfill the agreement. The reimbursement percentage can fluctuate year to year as property values within the fire district change.

The initial term of this Agreement shall be for five years, commencing October 1, 2019 and ending at midnight September 30, 2024, unless this Agreement is earlier terminated as provided for herein in this Agreement. This Agreement may be extended for an additional five-year period following the initial term, provided that the Parties mutually agree in writing to such extension which is subject to Authority and Contractor approval prior to July 1, 2024.

### **APPROPRIATION CODE AND AMOUNT:**

N/A

### **USE OF RESERVE FUNDS:**

N/A