



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Suzanne Sherman, City Manager

THRU: Richard E. Stover, Fire Chief

DATE: November 21, 2024

RE: Consideration of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Brevard County Sheriff's Office for aerial support through Brevard County Fire Rescue.

SUMMARY:

Palm Bay Fire Rescue requests to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Brevard County Sheriff's Office and the City of Palm Bay for the purposes of Aerial Support. While fighting wildland and brush fires, Palm Bay Fire Rescue occasionally has the need for helicopter support in the form of water drops on fires that are inaccessible by firefighting crews on land. This MOU allows Palm Bay Fire Rescue a direct link the Brevard County Sheriff's Department thus avoiding any possible delays by first requesting the support through Brevard County Fire Rescue. This MOU is only for incidents occurring within the jurisdiction of the City of Palm Bay.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Fire Rescue

FISCAL IMPACT:

Brevard County Sheriff's Office will provide this support at their cost for fuel only per paragraph 2 a. of the MOU. Funds are budgeted in GL account number 001-6012-522-3409 for FY25.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve the MOU between Brevard County Sheriff's Office and the City of Palm Bay regarding Aerial Support and to authorize the City Manager to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City of Palm Bay.

ATTACHMENTS:

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1. MOU between Brevard County Sheriff's Office and the City of Palm Bay regarding Aerial Support