

**Item Title:** Interlocal Agreement with the City of Raleigh for Hazardous Materials Response Team Services

**Specific Actions Requested:**  
**That the Board of Commissioners:**

- 1. Authorizes the County Manager to sign an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Raleigh for Hazardous Materials Response Team Services.**
- 2. Reduces the Fire Services Budget by \$80,000 to eliminate the municipal share of payments to the City of Raleigh for Hazardous Materials Response Team Services.**

**Item Summary:**

**Purpose:** Wake County contracts with the City of Raleigh's Hazardous Materials Response Team to respond to and mitigate hazardous materials incidents within the unincorporated areas of the County. The Board must approve all renewals and amendments to interlocal agreements.

**Background:** Wake County has maintained a hazardous materials services contract with the City of Raleigh for over twenty years. The purpose of the Interlocal Agreement (ILA) is to provide the highest level of hazardous materials response services in the most effective and efficient means possible. This ILA includes two changes. First, the agreement will renew automatically on an annual basis for ten years rather than need annual approval. Second, this ILA changes the payment process. Previously, Wake County served as billing and receivable agent for all participating municipalities—The County would collect all municipal payments and remit the collected fees to the City. Now, the City of Raleigh will execute separate interlocal agreements with each of the participating municipalities, and the City will collect payments directly from the municipalities.

**Board Goal:** This item supports routine County operations.

**Fiscal Impact:** The cost of the Interlocal Agreement for the Wake County Unincorporated area for FY2019 is \$81,922. This cost has been budgeted for in the Fire Tax operating budget and represents a \$4,894 increase over FY18's contract, due to annual cost adjustments. The item also includes an \$80,000 reduction to the Fire Services budget to eliminate the municipal share of fees that the County will no longer collect and remit to the City under the new agreement.

**Additional Information:**

None

**Attachments:**

1. Interlocal Agreement between Wake County and the City of Raleigh
2. Exhibit A – Equipment and Supplies Expended Report
3. Exhibit B – Distribution of Costs
4. Exhibit C – HazMat Fee Schedule
5. Budget Memo