

**INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:
CHILD ABUSE, INVESTIGATION SERVICES, LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES
Contract 2023-405**

THIS AGREEMENT is entered into on October 1, 2023, by and between the City of Lavon (the “City”) and the Collin County, a political subdivision of the State of Texas (the “County”).

Recitals

WHEREAS, County performs law enforcement functions within Collin County.

WHEREAS, the City desires to obtain certain law enforcement services from the County that the City is authorized to provide.

WHEREAS, the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Chapter 791 of the Texas Government Code authorizes units of local government to contact with one or more units of local government to perform government functions and services; and

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises and benefits contained herein, and for other valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged the Parties agree as follows:

**Article I
Definitions**

1.01 Law Enforcement Services

The term “Law Enforcement Services” means all services necessary for the County to provide the reporting, investigating, and filing charges for special crimes.

1.02 Special Crimes

The term “Special Crimes” means criminal offenses, relating directly or indirectly, whereby the victim is less than 17 years of age and the crime is determined to be a State Jail Felony or above. Lower offenses may be worked with the approval of both parties.

**Article II
Term**

2.01 Term

The term of this Agreement shall commence on October 1, 2023, and shall continue in full force and effect thru September 30, 2027.

2.02 Termination

Either party may terminate this Agreement by giving ninety (90) days written notice to the other party.

The parties agree that this Agreement will terminate immediately should the City not have an operating Police Force.

**Article III
Services and Service Fees**

3.01 Services

The County agrees to provide all law enforcement services relating to Special Crimes as described in Paragraph 1.02 of this Agreement. City shall pay for Sexual Assault Exams (normally, these Fees are reimbursed to the City, by the State of Texas) if required in addition to the Fees annotated in section 5.01: Law Enforcement Service Charge. Additional unusual investigative fees, upon City approval in each case, may be charged if required for prosecution.

3.02 Manner of Providing Services

The Law Enforcement Services shall be provided by the County in the same manner and within the same response times as such services are provided by the County within its jurisdiction.

3.03 Use of Additional Personnel

The County may utilize the services of individuals whose duties and responsibilities are related to detection, investigation and/or prosecution of violations associated with offenses described in paragraph 1.02 of this Agreement.

Article IV Exclusivity of Service

The parties agree that the County may contract to perform services similar or identical to those specified in this Agreement for such additional governmental or public entities as the County, in its sole discretion, sees fit.

Article V Compensation

5.01 Law Enforcement Service Charge

The payment is based upon the population estimates of the City and that population is based on the most recently published figures obtained from the North Central Texas Council of Governments. Law Enforcement Fees may be adjusted by written agreement of the parties during the four (4) year contract period as needed, if deemed necessary due to population increase. On an annual basis, the City will pay \$1,500.00 to the County for providing the above mentioned services. The City will continue payment for any and all charges for services not described in this Agreement. County will invoice City each year for total amount due.

Article VI Notices

6.01 Unless otherwise specified, all communications provided for in this Agreement shall be in writing and shall be deemed delivered whether actually received or not forty-eight (48) hours after deposit in the United States mail, first class, registered or certified, return receipt requested, with proper postage prepaid or immediately when delivered in person.

6.02 All communications provided for in this Agreement shall be addressed as follows:

if to the County, Copy to:
County Purchasing Agent
Purchasing Department
2300 Bloomdale Road, Suite 3160
McKinney, TX 75071

Collin County Administration
Bill Bilyeu
2300 Bloomdale #4142
McKinney, TX 75071

if to the City, to:
City Manager, City of Lavon
120 School Road
P.O. Box 340
Lavon, TX 75166

Or, to such person at such other address as may from time to time be specified in a notice given as provided in this Article VI.

Article VII Miscellaneous

7.01 Civil Liability

Each party will be responsible for its own defense and liability—and for those of its officials and employees—in the event of any claim, dispute, or lawsuit related to performance under this agreement.

Each party will remain the employer of its own employees, principal to its own agents, and owner of its own property. The parties are not agreeing to act as co-employers by virtue of this Agreement alone.

To the extent allowed by law, a party will not be liable to the other party for claims or damages arising from the acts or omissions of the other party's employees or contractors, and will **defend, indemnify, and hold harmless** the other party for all claims and damages arising from the alleged acts or omissions of the party's employees or contractors.

A party will not sue the other party for personal injuries or property damages resulting from the acts or omissions of the party's employees or contractors, including (1) personal injury or property damage suffered by the party or its own employees or contractors, or (2) personal injury or property damage suffered by persons who are not a party to this agreement. But this provision does not restrict a party from suing the other party for personal injuries or property damage that results from the acts or omissions of the other party or its employees. If the injuries or damages arose from the acts or omissions of the other party's contractor, however, then the party may sue the contractor, not the member—except on a claim that the member is directly liable by reason of an exercise of actual control over a person or instrument that proximately caused the injury or damage. Also, this provision does not limit a party's right to assert its third-party-practice rights, including the right to designate the other party as a responsible third party, in the context of a claim by a person who is not a party to this Agreement.

This Agreement does not create any form of personal liability on the part of any official, officer, employee, or agent, who is an individual, of a party.

If a person, who is not a party to this Agreement, files or asserts a claim against a party to this Agreement, then the Parties will assert and pursue all immunity and other defenses against the claim. But each party may also pursue its third-party-practice rights against the other party in the context of a claim by a person who is not a party to this Agreement.

The parties do not intend to create a claim or right for a person or entity who is not a party to this Agreement.

A party is entitled only to the benefit of its bargain under this Agreement. A party is not liable to the other party for *other* consequential, incidental, indirect, special, punitive, or exemplary damages or for damages that arise from special circumstances. A party will not sue for such damages.

“Claims or damages” means all types of claims, demands, and disputes, and all types of damages, including personal injury, damage to real or personal property, fines or penalties, attorney’s fees, expert costs, litigation or ADR costs, and interest. “Acts or omissions” means all types, including those constituting negligence, gross negligence, any sort of misrepresentation, breach of contract, violation of statute, or other actionable conduct. “Third-party-practice rights” means all forms of third-party practice, including claims for contribution or indemnity, defenses (proportionate responsibility), and practice under Rules 37–41 of the TRCP and chapters 32 and 33 of the TCPRC or their counterparts in other jurisdictions. This section’s rights and duties apply at all stages of a dispute or lawsuit.

7.02 Amendment

This Agreement shall not be amended or modified other than in a written agreement signed by the parties.

7.03 Controlling Law

This Agreement shall be deemed to be made under, governed by, and construed in accordance with, the laws of the State of Texas.

7.04 Captions

The headings to the various sections of this Agreement have been inserted for convenient reference only and shall not modify, define, limit, or expand the express provision of this Agreement.

7.05 Counterparts

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which, when taken separately, shall be deemed an original.

7.06 Exclusive Right to Enforce this Agreement

The County and the City have the exclusive right to bring suit to enforce this Agreement, and no other party may bring suit, as a third-party beneficiary or otherwise, to enforce this Agreement.

7.07 Expenses for Enforcement

In the event either Party hereto is required to employ an attorney to enforce the provisions of this Agreement or is required to commence legal proceedings to enforce the provisions hereof, the prevailing Party shall be entitled to recover from the other, reasonable attorney's fees and court costs incurred in connection with such enforcement, including collection.

7.08 Severability

If any term or provision of this Agreement is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable in any jurisdiction, such invalidity, illegality, or unenforceability shall not affect any other term or provision of this Agreement or invalidate or render unenforceable such term or provision in any other jurisdiction. Upon such determination that any term or other provision is invalid, illegal, or unenforceable, the parties hereto shall negotiate in good faith to modify this Agreement so as to effect the original intent of the parties as closely as possible in a mutually acceptable manner in order that the transactions contemplated hereby be consummated as originally contemplated to the greatest extent possible.

7.09 Force Majeure

No party shall be liable or responsible to the other party, nor be deemed to have defaulted under or breached this Agreement, for any failure or delay in fulfilling or performing any term of this Agreement, when and to the extent such failure or delay is caused by or results from acts beyond the affected party's reasonable control, including, without limitation: acts of God; flood, fire or explosion; war, invasion, riot or other civil unrest; actions, embargoes or blockades in effect on or after the date of this Agreement; or national or regional emergency (each of the foregoing, a "Force Majeure Event"). A party whose performance is affected by a Force Majeure Event shall give notice to the other party, stating the period of time the occurrence is expected to continue and shall use diligent efforts to end the failure or delay and minimize the effects of such Force Majeure Event.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this Agreement as of the day and year first above written.

"COUNTY"
COLLIN COUNTY, TEXAS
By: [Signature]
Title: County Judge
Date: 10 JAN 2024

"CITY"
CITY OF LAVON, TEXAS
By: [Signature]
Title: Mayor
Date: 11 28 2023

