



MEETING DATE: January 21, 2025

AGENDA ITEM: 10. City Fire Services

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RE: City Fire Services

BACKGROUND:

The City of Isleton historically has operated its own fire department, most recently with a payroll (approx. \$235,000) well in excess of dedicated fire department revenues (\$120,000 budgeted but unverified).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

The City of Isleton is not in a financial position to directly provide fire protection services.

City staff have held discussions with River Delta Fire Protection District about the possibility of Isleton contracting with River Delta to provide fire protection services. River Delta is open to the possibility and likely can provide a substantially higher level of service than what the city currently provides on its own. River Delta is staffed by a volunteer corps of firefighters on a 24/7 basis, most of whom are EMTs, Advanced EMTs, or paramedics.

Isleton Fire has responded to over 300 calls in the past year, however fewer than one-third of those calls were for service within the city limits. River Delta has the capacity and the interest in serving the residents of Isleton.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the City Council direct and authorize the interim co-city managers to negotiate a services agreement with River Delta Fire Protection District and return to the council for final approval.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Unknow at this time.
