



## Legislation Text

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**SUBJECT:** Agreement Between Merced College and Merced Fire Department to Provide In-House Fire Technology Instruction

### REPORT IN BRIEF

Agreement between Merced College and the Merced Fire Department to enable City of Merced Fire Department personnel to concurrently earn college credit and certificates in fire related subject matter.

### RECOMMENDATION

**City Council** - Adopt a motion:

- A. Increasing revenue account number 001-0901-360.01-01 by \$7,600, and;
- B. Appropriating \$7,600 in the training account number 001-0901-522.20-00, and;
- C. Authorizing the City Manager or Assistant City Manager to execute the Agreement between Merced College and the Fire Department.

### ALTERNATIVES

1. Approve, as recommended by Staff; or,
2. Approve, subject to conditions other than recommended by Staff; or,
3. Deny; or,
4. Continue to a future meeting.

### AUTHORITY

Charter of the City of Merced, Section 200.

### CITY COUNCIL PRIORITIES

Public Safety as provided for in the 2017-2018 Adopted Budget.

### DISCUSSION

Since 1984, the Merced Fire Department has coordinated training with the Merced College District to provide training to staff at all levels, including Officer Development programs. The in-house training leads not only to traditional certifications for fire related subject matter, but also college credits towards an Associate's Degree or Fire Technology certification.

In September, 2002, an agreement was entered whereby the Merced College District would reimburse the city for in-house training activities at the City of Merced Fire Department. Since that time the college and the fire department have continually partnered in this endeavor, which benefits the college, its students, the fire department and its employees.

The agreement becomes effective July 1, 2017 for the 2017-2018 academic school year, and may be extended in one-year increments by mutual agreement through June 30, 2022.

### **IMPACT ON CITY RESOURCES**

None. The cost of this program is 100% sub-vented to a maximum of \$7,600/annually. At a rate of \$3.00/per student contact hour, less the registration fee.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

1. Agreement between Merced College and Merced City Fire Department.