

**A RESOLUTION
BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

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A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE FORT BENNING BRANCH OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMAND DISTRICT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN VETERINARY CARE SERVICES FOR CANINES SPECIALIZING IN BOMB DETECTION; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, The City of Atlanta (“City”) owns and operates Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (“Airport”); and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Police Department (“APD”) participates in the Transportation Security Administration’s (“TSA”) National Explosives Detection Canine Team Program (“NEDCTP”); and

WHEREAS, under the NEDCTP, the TSA provided the APD with canines specializing in bomb detection; and

WHEREAS, under the NEDCTP, the TSA will reimburse the APD for veterinary care services provided to the NEDCTP canines by the Fort Benning Branch of the Public Health Command District (“Fort Benning”), but will not reimburse for veterinary care services from other providers; and

WHEREAS, the Chief of Police and the Aviation General Manager recommend the City of Atlanta enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (“MOU”) with Fort Benning for veterinary care services.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA HEREBY RESOLVES that the Mayor is authorized, on behalf of the City of Atlanta, Georgia (“City”), to enter into the Memorandum of Understanding with the Fort Benning Branch of the Public Health Command District.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney, is directed to prepare a Memorandum of Understanding for execution by the Mayor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Memorandum of Understanding shall not become binding upon the City and the City shall incur no obligation or liability there under until same has been approved by the City Attorney as to form, signed by the Mayor, and attested to by the municipal clerk, and delivered to Fort Benning Branch of the Public Health Command District.

Part II: Legislative White Paper: (This portion of the Legislative Request Form will be shared with City Council members and staff)

A. To be completed by Legislative Counsel:

Committee of Purview:

Caption:

Council Meeting Date:

Requesting Dept.:

FAC Confirmed by:

B. To be completed by the department:

1. Please provide a summary of the purpose of this legislation (Justification Statement).

The City is seeking the services of Fort Benning to provide veterinary care services for its National Explosive Detection Canine Team Program ("NEDCTP") canines assigned to H-JAIA.

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) will reimburse the Atlanta Police Department ("APD") for the costs of veterinary care services provided by the Fort Benning Branch of the Public Health Command District to APD explosive canines belonging to the NEDCTP. The TSA will not reimburse for care from other providers, so APD wishes to enter into this MOU to receive veterinary care services from Fort Benning.

2. Please provide background information regarding this legislation.

On behalf of the City and H-JAIA, the APD participates in the TSA's NEDCTP. Through this Program the City is provided with trained canines specializing in bomb detection. These animals are valuable resources that assist the City in providing for the continued health, safety, and protection of Airport travelers, patrons, and workers each and every day, twenty-four (24) hours a day, seven (7) days a week, three-hundred sixty-five (365) days a year. Although the canines are entrusted to participating agencies like the City, they remain the property of the TSA.

The TSA has a Memorandum of Agreement ("MOA") in place with the United States Army Public Health Command ("U.S. Army PHC") for routine veterinary care for all NEDCTP Program canines. These veterinary services provided for in the Agreement may be obtained by any organization utilizing these Program canines, and are provided *at cost* by the U.S. Army PHC. Additionally, the TSA will reimburse any participating organization in accordance with TSA's Agreement with U.S. Army PHC.

3. If Applicable/Known:

(a) Contract Type (e.g. Professional Services, Construction Agreement, etc):

Memorandum of Understanding

(b) Source Selection:

Through an Intergovernmental agreement between the TSA and the United States Army Public Health Command.

(c) Bids/Proposals Due: N/A

(d) Invitations Issued: N/A

(e) Number of Bids: N/A

(f) Proposals Received: N/A

(g) Bidders/Proponents: N/A

(h) Term of Contract:

This MOU shall commence upon its approval by the respective governing bodies of the PARTIES and shall continue until December 31st. This Agreement shall be reviewed and renewed annually by the PARTIES on January 1st, and each year thereafter on January 1st unless written notification of termination is received by either PARTY at least thirty (30) days prior to the expiration of the term of the first term or any renewal term thereafter.

Either party may terminate this MOU in whole or in part at any time upon written notice. Upon such notification, both parties understand that they will, in good faith, conduct such negotiations for finalization of the termination agreement. Such termination shall be effective ninety (90) days after one party to the other forwards notice of termination.

4. Fund Account Center:

Fund: 5501; **Cost Center:** 240603; **Account:** 5212001; **Function Activity:** 3290000

5. Source of Funds:

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6. Fiscal Impact:

None after reimbursement by TSA.

7. Method of Cost Recovery:

Reimbursement by TSA.

This Legislative Request Form Was Prepared By:

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TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: CANDACE L. BYRD

Dept.'s Legislative Liaison: Anita Williams

Contact Number: 404-530-6600

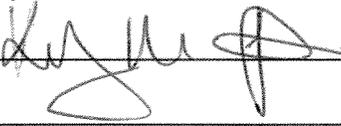
Originating Department: Aviation

Committee(s) of Purview: Transportation

Chief of Staff Deadline: 12/28/12

Anticipated Committee Meeting Date(s): 1/15/13

Anticipated Full Council Date: 1/22/13

Legislative Counsel's Signature: Kimberly Patrick 

Commissioner's Signature: 

Chief Financial Officer: N/A

Chief Information Officer Signature (for IT Procurements) N/A

Chief Procurement Officer Signature: N/A

CAPTION

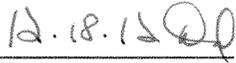
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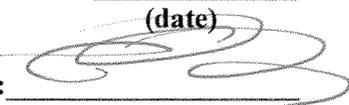
FINANCIAL IMPACT: (if any)

Mayor's Staff Only

Received by CPO: _____
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Received by Mayor's Office: 12.18.12 
(date)

Reviewed by: 
(date)

Submitted to Council: _____
(date)