



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER _____

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DATE: 12/05/2023

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF REQUEST FROM THE AFTERBURNERS
TOASTMASTERS CLUB TO USE OF THE PLAZA BUILDING FOR
WEEKLY GROUP MEETINGS, OFFICER TRAINING CLASSES,
AREA AND DIVISION CONTESTS AND YOUTH LEADERSHIP
PROGRAM COURSES IN EXCHANGE FOR CONDUCTING PUBLIC
SPEAKING TRAINING FOR TARRANT COUNTY EMPLOYEES
AND TARRANT COUNTY YOUTH**

***** CONSENT AGENDA *****

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve a request from the Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 to use of the Plaza Building for weekly after-hours group meetings, officer training classes, area and division contests, and Youth Leadership Program (YLP) courses in exchange for conducting public speaking training for Tarrant County employees and Tarrant County youth.

BACKGROUND

Since 2010, Tarrant County has allowed Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 to utilize the Plaza Building for weekly after-hours group meetings, officer training classes, area and division contests, and YLP courses in exchange for providing public speaking training for Tarrant County employees, and YLP courses for Tarrant County employee's children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, ages 8 through 17. The Tarrant County Human Resources Department and Afterburners Toastmasters Club developed and implemented the YLP curriculum with the objective of teaching young people to write and deliver speeches, sharpen impromptu speaking skills, to conduct a meeting, and develop leadership skills; all of which build confidence.

Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 provided a letter to Facilities Management requesting the use of the Plaza Building 5th Floor meeting rooms in exchange for providing demonstration meeting(s) to inform County employees of the benefits of participating in Toastmasters meetings and two (2) eight-week YLP courses free of charge to Tarrant County employees and Tarrant County employee's children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews, ages 8 through 17.

With approval, Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 will utilize the Plaza Building 5th floor meeting rooms for weekly after-hours group meetings, officer training classes, area and division contests, and YLP courses from January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2024 in exchange for providing the above-mentioned services.

FISCAL IMPACT

The fiscal impact for FY 2024 is estimated to be less than \$2,000.00 which includes the cost of extended security for two (2) additional hours on Tuesdays, HVAC, and electricity costs. Funding is available in accounts 10000-2024/3110210000/510000 and 530000.

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