



COMMISSIONERS COURT  
COMMUNICATION

REFERENCE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

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DATE: 12/05/2023

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL TO SUBMIT A DATA EXCHANGE REQUEST AND SAFEGUARD PLAN TO THE TEXAS WORKFORCE COMMISSION AS REQUIRED FOR ACCESS TO WAGE RECORDS**

**\*\*\* CONSENT AGENDA \*\*\***

**COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the submittal of a Data Exchange Request and Safeguard Plan (Exhibit 1) to the Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) as required to renew the Data Exchange Contract for online access to confidential wage records.

**BACKGROUND**

The Tarrant County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) will utilize confidential wage records maintained by TWC to assist in criminal investigations by locating defendants, witnesses and fugitives in criminal cases, and locating persons with outstanding warrants.

On February 9, 2021, the Commissioners Court, through Court Order#134826, approved the most recent contract for Data Exchange online access. The term for this contract was extended to January 31, 2024, with a not to exceed the amount of \$4,500.00.

With approval, the TCSO will submit Exhibit 1 to TWC, which is required to begin contract renewal negotiations. The TCSO will continue to have access to the data exchange system as outlined in the current contract. The renewal contract will be presented to the Commissioners Court for approval once it is received.

The Criminal District Attorney's Office has approved Exhibit 1 as to form.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.

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