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### SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN TARRANT COUNTY, ACTING BY AND THROUGH THE TARRANT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE, AND THE CITY OF FORT WORTH FOR THE FORT WORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT INTELLIGENCE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

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

## **COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED**

It is requested that the Commissioners Court approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Tarrant County, acting by and through the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office and the City of Fort Worth to participate in the Fort Worth Police Department Intelligence Exchange (INTEX) Program.

# BACKGROUND

Criminal activities often cross multiple jurisdictions in Tarrant County and North Texas which often requires the collaboration of many law enforcement agencies that share information to have successful arrests and prosecutions of these offenders. As a result, the Fort Worth Police Department has initiated a center known as the Fort Worth INTEX for the purpose of increasing the sharing capabilities of information and intelligence related to criminal and terrorism activities throughout the western portion of the North Texas region. It provides real-time actionable criminal intelligence by utilizing technology to identify trends and patterns in criminal activity.

With approval of the MOU, the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office will have one or more existing personnel trained to be Fusion Liaison Officers to work with the INTEX Program as needed to enhance the communication processes between Federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies throughout the region.

This agreement has been reviewed as to form by the District Attorney's Office.

# FISCAL IMPACT

There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.