



City of Grand Island

Tuesday, December 02, 2008

Council Session

Item G15

**#2008-343 - Approving Interlocal Agreement for SCALES
Compact**

Staff Contact: Steve Lamken

Council Agenda Memo

From: Steven Lamken, Police Chief

Meeting: December 2, 2008

Subject: SCALES Compact

Item #'s: G-15

Presenter(s): Steven Lamken, Police Chief

Background

The South Central Area Law Enforcement Services, SCALES, is a regional compact of municipal and county law enforcement agencies who have joined together to aid in investigations, provide resources to each other when needed and promote specialized training to increase the investigative skills of officers in the compact. The agencies participating in SCALES are: Adams County Sheriff, Hastings PD, Buffalo County Sheriff, Kearney PD, Hall County Sheriff and the Grand Island PD and the Dawson County Sheriff's Office.

The Phelps County Sheriff's Office, Holdrege Police Department, and Aurora Police Department have requested to join SCALES. The inter-local agreement is being changed to incorporate these new participating agencies.

Discussion

SCALES is a regional cooperative effort of law enforcement agencies to pool resources to assist each other when needed during major case investigations and major events. The Grand Island Police Department has been a member of SCALES for several years and the City has benefitted from the assistance of SCALES agencies. We have requested and received SCALES assistance in the investigation of in-custody deaths, officer involved shootings and during the Presidential visit. We have assisted other SCALES agencies with major case investigations and special events.

The Holdrege Police Department, Phelps County Sheriff's Office and the Aurora Police Department have joined the SCALES compact with the approval of their local governing bodies. The new agencies add additional resources into the compact and expand the level of law enforcement cooperation in the region. There is no budget impact upon the Police Department with the addition of the new agencies to the compact.

The interlocal agreement is being updated to incorporate the addition of the three law enforcement agencies to the SCALES compact..

Alternatives

It appears that the Council has the following alternatives concerning the issue at hand. The Council may:

1. Move to approve
2. Refer the issue to a Committee
3. Postpone the issue to future date
4. Take no action on the issue

Recommendation

City Administration recommends that the Council approve the new interlocal agreement incorporating the addition of the Holdrege Police Department, Phelps County Sheriff's Office and Aurora Police Department to the SCALES Compact.

Sample Motion

Move to approve the new interlocal agreement incorporating the addition of Holdrege Police Department, Phelps County Sheriff's Office, and Aurora Police Department to the SCALES Compact and have the Mayor sign the inter-local agreement.

***ADDENDUM TO SCALES INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATIVE
LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.***

WHEREAS, the Nebraska Counties of Adams, Buffalo, Hall and Dawson and the Nebraska Cities of Hastings, Kearney and Grand Island have entered into an interlocal agreement dated August 1st, 2006, for cooperative law enforcement services hereinafter referred to as “SCALES” a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference; and

WHEREAS, the terms of SCALES provide that additional cities or counties may become parties to said agreement upon acceptance and execution of the agreement and upon the approval by the governing bodies of the parties already party to said agreement; and

WHEREAS the County of Phelps, the City of Holdrege and the City of Aurora desire to become a party to SCALES under the same terms and conditions contained in the existing agreement dated August 1st, 2006 and hereby signifies acceptance of the same; and

WHEREAS in consideration of Phelps County's, the City of Holdrege's and the City of Aurora's agreement to initially contribute to the cooperative undertaking provided for in SCALES, and agreed sum not to exceed \$4,500.00 for each individual agency, Adams, Buffalo, Hall and Dawson Counties and the cities of Hastings Kearney and Grand Island approve of Phelps County the City of Holdrege and the City of Aurora's request to become a party to SCALES as signified by their respective signatures appearing below.

NOW THEREFORE, it is agreed that effective upon complete execution of this addendum by all necessary entities, and the payment of Phelps County, the City of Holdrege and the City of Aurora monetary contributions as stated above, the County of Phelps, the City of Holdrege and the City of Aurora in the State of Nebraska shall hereinafter be deemed a party to SCALES and shall thereafter accrue all the same entitlement and obligations as the original parties to said agreement, with the exception of previously purchased equipment by the original agencies. In the event of liquidation of assets purchased before the date of this addendum, assets shall be sold and sums distributed equally amongst only the parties who originally paid for said assets. The County of Phelps, the City of Holdrege, and the City of Aurora, shall be entitled to full usage rights of all tangible property jointed owned by SCALES. Items purchased jointly after the date of execution date of this addendum, ownership shall be shared equally amongst all monetary contributing members of the SCALES organization.

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

County of Phelps

By. _____
Chairperson
County Board
(Attest)

Phelps County Sheriff

Phelps County Clerk

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

City of Holdrege

By: _____
Mayor
(Attest)

Chief of Police- Holdrege Police Dept.

City Clerk

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

City of Aurora

By: _____
Mayor
(Attest)

Chief of Police- Aurora Police Dept.

City Clerk

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

City of Grand Island

By: _____
Mayor

Grand Island Police Chief

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

County of Hall

By: _____
Chairperson
County Board of Supervisors

Hall County Sheriff

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

City of Hastings

By: _____
Mayor

Hastings Police Chief

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

County of Adams

By: _____
Chairperson
County Board of Supervisors

Adams County Sheriff

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

City of Kearney

By: _____
Mayor

Kearney Police Chief

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

County of Buffalo

By: _____
Chairperson
County Board of Supervisors

Buffalo County Sheriff

(Attest)

Executed this _____ day of _____, 2008.

County of Dawson

By: _____
Chairperson
County Board of Supervisors

Dawson County Sheriff

(Attest)

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WHEREAS, the South Central Area Law Enforcement Services , SCALES, compact has been an effective cooperative effort to share investigative and other resources in South Central Nebraska, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department has been a member of the inter-local SCALES compact in cooperation with other local law enforcement agencies in central Nebraska for several years, and

WHEREAS, the Police Department and City of Grand Island have benefited from the assistance of SCALES resources, and

WHEREAS, the Holdrege Police Department, Phelps County Sheriff's Office and Aurora Police Department have joined the SCALES compact, and

WHEREAS, an inter-local agreement is needed that includes the new member agencies in SCALES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GRAND ISLAND, NEBRASKA, that that the Mayor be, and hereby is, authorized and directed to sign the South Central Area Law Enforcement Services, SCALES, inter-local agreement :

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Adopted by the City Council of the City of Grand Island, Nebraska, December 2, 2008.

Margaret Hornady, Mayor

Attest:

RaNae Edwards, City Clerk

Approved as to Form <input type="checkbox"/> _____ November 26, 2008 <input type="checkbox"/> City Attorney
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