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To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: March 7, 2022

Re: Authorizing a Statement of Responsibilities for participation in the Transportation Security Administration's Aviation Federal Bureau of Investigation Record of Arrests and Prosecutions Back Program

Executive Summary

Staff is requesting that Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Statement of Responsibilities (SOR) for participation in the Transportation Security Administration's (TSA) Aviation Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Record of Arrests and Prosecutions (RAP) Back program. Participation in the Rap Back program will be required for Airport Operators effective March 29, 2022 per TSA National Amendment 21-03.

Discussion

TSA conducts vetting of workers at U.S. commercial airport operators regulated under CFR 1542 for links to terrorism, lawful presence and disqualifying criminal offenses and U.S. commercial aircraft operators regulated under CFR 1544 for disqualifying criminal offenses. TSA uses the FBI's fingerprint-based criminal record repository to request a Criminal History Record Check (CHRC) and receive an FBI Identity History Summary (IdHS) of any past criminal activity (also known as a "rap sheet").

TSA provides a secure web-based portal called Fingerprint Results Distribution (FPRD) for airports and aircraft operators to review an applicant or worker's FBI criminal history record information (CHRI) and complete the criminal adjudication.

While the TSA name-based Security Threat Assessment (STA) is on-going, the FBI CHRC is a one-time check. A worker that was initially determined to be suitable for badging and access privileges may subsequently engage in disqualifying criminal activity that goes unreported until the next CHRC is conducted. To enable TSA to conduct biometric-based recurrent criminal vetting for aviation workers, TSA has implemented the FBI Rap Back service.

The Rap Back functionality will enable authorized entities, including TSA and airport/aircraft operators to receive notifications when subsequent reported criminal activity associated with the fingerprints of the identification (ID) media (badge) holder (vetted individual) occurs.

TSA's Enrollment Services and Vetting Programs (ESVP) organization is responsible for implementing Rap Back for aviation populations, and implementation of Rap Back is fully operational with widespread participation. Rap Back participation allows enhanced situational awareness and a reduced requirement for periodic CHRC renewal submissions.



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Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: Enter the cost of proposed legislation to the city for years **beyond two**.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Organizational Excellence, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary

Legislative History

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	None

Suggested Council Action

Authorize the City Manager to execute a Statement of Responsibilities for participation in TSA's Aviation FBI Record of Arrests and Prosecutions (RAP) Back program.