



CITY OF TEMPE
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Council Meeting Date: 09/08/2016
Agenda Item: 5C4

ACTION: Adopt a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Tempe and the City of Scottsdale for the Regional Veterans Court. (Resolution No. R2016.89)

FISCAL IMPACT: This is a grant revenue neutral agreement. The City of Tempe will be reimbursed by the City of Scottsdale for Scottsdale cases adjudicated in the Regional Veterans Court.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution No. R2016.89.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: On April 15, 2016, the Presiding Judge of the Maricopa County Superior Court ordered the establishment of the East Valley Municipal Regional Veterans Treatment Court for the municipal courts in the East Valley, including in part the Tempe Municipal Court and Scottsdale City Court.

The Tempe City Council authorized the Tempe Municipal Court to accept funding from the Arizona Department of Veterans' Services to establish the East Valley Regional Veterans Court and hire a full-time Regional Veterans Court Coordinator to support collaborative efforts to serve a greater number of veterans.

Dockets for the Regional Veterans Court are held at the Tempe Municipal Court and cases referred from the City of Scottsdale are to be heard twice per month, or as needed. The City of Scottsdale desires to have Tempe Judges Pro Tem adjudicate the cases it refers to the Regional Veterans Court, at Scottsdale's expense.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution, City of Scottsdale Intergovernmental Agreement

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