

CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 5.7

DATE: May 12, 2025

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Joe Testa. Fire Chief

SUBJECT: Resolution authorizing the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Joint Powers Authority

to join Bay Cities Joint Powers Insurance Authority.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Resolution authorizing the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Joint Powers Authority to join Bay Cities Joint Powers Insurance Authority and authorizing the City Manager in her capacity as a Joint Executive Director for the Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Joint Powers Authority, to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate joining the Bay Cities Joint Powers Insurance Authority, provided that any contracts involving Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department Joint Powers Authority are first approved as to form by the General Counsel.

SUMMARY

City staff, and the Board of Directors for the Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department's Joint Powers Authority, recommend that Livermore-Pleasanton Fire Department (LPFD) join the Bay Cities Joint Powers Insurance Authority (BCJPIA).

DISCUSSION

On July 1, 2018, LPFD joined the California Joint Powers Risk Management Authority (CJPRMA) to obtain liability coverage for general, auto, and employment practices. Staff has determined that there are more desirable options for LPFD to obtain this coverage and recommended that LPFD provide a Notice of Withdrawal to CJPRMA on or before December 31, 2024.

On November 13, 2024, the Board of Directors for LPFD met and recommended that the LPFD issue a notice of withdrawal from the California Joint Powers Risk Management Authority excess liability pool and to explore alternate coverage. The City Councils for Livermore and Pleasanton authorized issuing that notice.

Subsequently, staff hired a consultant to research replacement coverage options for LPFD, including other public-agency risk pools, excess insurance in the private market, and self-insurance. On April 21,

2025, staff presented those options to the Board of Directors, and the Board voted to recommend that LPFD secure replacement coverage by joining BCJPIA. The City Councils for Pleasanton and Livermore must approve the Board's recommendation.

BOARD ACTION

On April 21, 2025, the LPFD Board of Directors met and voted to recommend the action requested in this staff report.

Once both Councils have provided authorization, staff will complete the application process to secure coverage effective July 1, 2025.

FISCAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE IMPACTS

Coverage for the FY 2025-26 program year is included in the LPFD operating budget.

COMMUNITY PILLARS

- 1: A Safe Community That Thrives
- 5: A City That Works

GOALS

5: Ensure effective fire suppression, prevention, emergency medical, and disaster services to meet the evolving needs of our communities and other changing conditions

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution

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