

RESOLUTION NO. 2019 –

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COMMERCE OPTING FOR THE CITY OF COMMERCE TO BE INCLUDED IN A PROSPECTIVE 2020 REVENUE MEASURE TO FUND CRITICAL FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES SHOULD THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DECIDE TO PURSUE SUCH A MEASURE

WHEREAS, On January 1, 1986, the City Council approved an agreement with the Consolidated Fire Protection District of Los Angeles County (Fire District) to contract for Fire and Emergency Services; and

WHEREAS, Contracting with the Fire District since 1993, the number of total incidents within the City have increased by 61%, with no increase in additional staffing; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to provide fiscally sustainable Fire and Emergency Services for our residents and stakeholders and to address the City's continually evolving service demands; and,

WHEREAS, the Fire District estimates Commerce based revenues from a potential revenue measure between \$2,400,000 and \$3,604,000, depending the tax levy formulation determined by the Fire District; and,

WHEREAS, if such a measure is pursued by the Fire District and subsequently approved by voters, Commerce generated revenues would be used as negotiated by the City and Fire District to determine appropriate staffing enhancements and Fire Station improvements to mitigate increased incident levels in the City, and provide fiscally sustainable Fire and Emergency Medical Services; and,

WHEREAS, to meet established election deadlines, the City must advise the Fire District of their desire to opt in to the ballot measure no later than November 6, 2019, to be included on a potential revenue measure for the scheduled March 3, 2020 Election.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Commerce as follows:

SECTION 1. That the City Council of the City of Commerce, State of California, hereby opts for the City of Commerce to be included into consideration of the Los Angeles County Fire District's potential 2020 funding measure for fire protection and emergency services, and;

SECTION 2. That the City Council authorizes the City Manager to issue a written notice and executed copy of this proposed Resolution to the Fire District indicating that

the City of Commerce has determined to allow voters to decide on this important funding measure and therefore authorizes the Fire District to include the City of Commerce within a 2020 ballot measure to provide critical funding for fire protection and emergency medical services.

SECTION 3. That the City Clerk shall certify to the approval and adoption of this Resolution.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 5th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.

ATTEST: CITY OF COMMERCE

Lena Shumway
City Clerk

John Soria
Mayor

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Norma Copado
City Attorney

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF COMMERCE

I, LENA SHUMWAY, CITY CLERK of the City of Commerce do hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Commerce held on the 5th day of November, 2019 by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS:
ABSTAIN: COUNCILMEMBERS: