Council Business Meeting

March 19, 2019

Agenda Item	Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Ashland and Jackson County for patrol response services to 2082 E. Main, Ashland	
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SUMMARY

The City Council is being asked to authorize the City Administrator to sign an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City and Jackson County for Ashland Police Department patrol response services to 2082 E. Main Street, Ashland.

POLICIES, PLANS, AND GOALS SUPPORTED

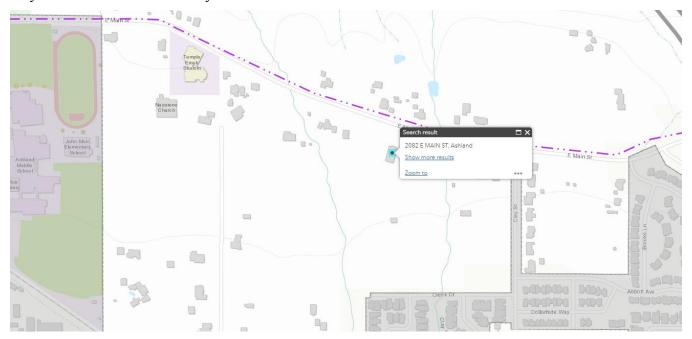
- 3. Support and empower our community partners.
- 5. Seek opportunities to enable all citizens to meet basic needs.

PREVIOUS COUNCIL ACTION

None.

BACKGROUND AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Options for Helping Residents of Ashland (OHRA) has applied to Jackson County for a land use permit to operate a Winter Shelter on property located at 2082 E. Main Street. The land use application was submitted to Jackson County because the vacant Baptist church at 2082 E. Main is within the Urban Growth Boundary, but outside of the Ashland City limits. As such it is within Jackson County's jurisdiction. See the map below. The area in gray is within the City limits and the magenta line is the City's Urban Growth Boundary.





While processing the land use application the County expressed concerns that the already spread thin Sheriff's Department would be ill equipped to handle an increased call volume at this location. The County reached out to the City to ask if the City's Police Department would be willing to be the first responders to calls at this site during the Winter Shelter operations. The Police Chief Tighe O'Meara has stated that the City's patrol officers would be first responders during the operation of the Winter Shelter and would support the City of Ashland entering into an IGA with Jackson County to provide that service.



FISCAL IMPACTS

OHRA has stated that there have been two police calls for service from the time the shelter began operating in November, 2018 to the present. It is anticipated that there would be a similar number of calls during the operational period of the winter shelter in years to come. The Ashland Police Department responded to over 4,000 calls for service in 2018. An additional two to three calls for service a year is de minimis in terms of Police Department resources.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Ashland and Jackson County for police patrol response to 2082 E. Main Street. It is Staff's belief that the IGA will strengthen OHRA's land use application.

ACTIONS, OPTIONS, AND POTENTIAL MOTIONS

- 1. I move to authorize the City Administrator to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Ashland and Jackson County for police patrol response to 2082 E. Main Street.
- 2. I move to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Ashland and Jackson County for police patrol response to 2082 E. Main Street in the following ways and authorize the City Administrator to execute the IGA.
- 3. I move to deny the Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Ashland and Jackson County for police patrol response to 2082 E. Main Street.

REFERENCES AND ATTACHMENTS

The Intergovernmental Agreement is in progress and will be distributed at the Council meeting.

