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To: Mayor and City Council Members
Steve Parker, City Manager

From: Shane McDaniel, Chief Information Officer

Subject: Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a no cost Interlocal Cooperation Contract with The University of Texas at Austin Regional Security Operations Center for cyber services

Date: June 5, 2026

Historical Background

The City of Seguin has made sustained investments in cybersecurity infrastructure over the past several years, with ongoing modernization of the City's cyber ecosystem protecting organizational data and assets. As threats to municipal networks continue to evolve, the City has sought opportunities to augment its internal security capabilities through state-supported resources.

The University of Texas at Austin operates a Regional Security Operations Center (RSOC) on behalf of the Texas Department of Information Resources (DIR), established under Texas Government Code Chapter 2063. The RSOC provides participating governmental entities with enterprise-grade cybersecurity services funded entirely through DIR legislative appropriations at no cost to participating agencies.

Action Requested

Staff requests City Council approval to authorize the City Manager to execute an Interlocal Cooperation Contract (ILC) with The University of Texas at Austin for participation in the RSOC program. This agreement is executed under the authority of the Interlocal Cooperation Act, Texas Government Code Chapter 791, and carries no financial obligation to the City under its current DIR-funded structure.

Services provided through the RSOC include:

- Real-time network security monitoring to detect and respond to security events;
- Alerts and guidance for defeating network threats, including firewall configuration, intelligence gathering, and protocol analysis;
- Intrusion detection system installation, management, and monitoring;
- Statewide cyber operations coordination to isolate, contain, and mitigate incidents; and
- Cybersecurity educational services.

Contract Terms of Note

The agreement has an initial term of one (1) year and auto-renews annually. Either party may terminate with sixty (60) days' written notice. The City retains full ownership of any data provided to UT. Should DIR funding for the RSOC program be reduced or eliminated in the future, no charges may be assessed to the City without execution of a new written agreement approved by both parties.

Funding

There is no cost to the City of Seguin under this agreement. All RSOC services are fully funded by DIR through legislative appropriations in accordance with Texas Government Code § 2063.604. No appropriation of City funds is required for approval of this item.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends approval and is available to answer any questions.