600 TML MEMBERS

**PUBLIC SAFETY**
- POLICE DEPARTMENTS
- FIRE DEPARTMENTS
- SHERIFF
- COUNTY FD
- ESD
- NEARBY CITY

**SERVICES PROVIDED**
- City Owned
- City, Volunteer and/or Mutual Aid
- County Service
- County Service
- ESD
- Nearby City FD Service Contract

POPULATIONS VARIED FROM: 56 to 17,544 | CITY BUDGETS FROM $588,444 to $45,096,474 | TAX RATE 0.17 to 0.68
## FINANCES

### CITY ADMINISTRATION
- Hired A Fire Marshall
- Hired A Fire Chief/Staff
- Ordinance Detailed
- VFD Billed the City &/or Insurance
- Contract Service With VFD
- Mutual Aid Contribution
- Property Tax From ESD

### CONTRACTED EXPENDITURES
- Salary + Benefits
- Salary + Benefits + Assets + Expenses
- Invoices
- $0 to $100,000
- $0 to $100,000
- $0 to $100,000
- .1 cent
FUNDING SOURCES

FIRE DEPARTMENTS
• PROPERTY TAXES
• GRANTS
• DONATIONS
• ESDs
• COUNTY SUBSIDY

POLICE DEPARTMENTS
• PROPERTY TAXES
• GENERAL FUND EXPENSES
• GRANTS
• DONATIONS
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Missing Info
## SELMA

**POPULATION:** 10,088  
**TAX RATE:** 0.20

**POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENT**

City of Selma, Texas Fiscal Year 2017 - 2018 Adopted Operating Budget

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**SUB TOTAL:**  
$2,027,036 | $1,405,100 | $2,123,838 | $2,109,254
ARTICLE 5.03 FIRE DEPARTMENT*

**Sec. 5.03.001 Established**
A volunteer fire department is hereby established for the city. (1990 Code, sec. 9-96)

**Sec. 5.03.002 Officers**
The officers of the fire department shall include a chief, an assistant chief, a training officer and such other officers as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the fire department. The election of such officers shall be in accordance with such constitution and bylaws. (1990 Code, sec. 9-97)

**Sec. 5.03.003 Constitution and bylaws**
The constitution and bylaws and any amendments thereto which are adopted by the volunteer fire department shall be subject to approval by the city council as long as city equipment is to be used by the department and/or work is performed by the volunteers within the city. (1990 Code, sec. 9-98)

**Sec. 5.03.004 Management; authority of chief**
The chief and his assistants shall have control and management of the work of the volunteer fire department in accordance with the constitution and bylaws of the department, and when on duty at a fire or drill shall have police power to arrest or cause to be arrested any person who may improperly or unlawfully interfere with the work of the department while at such fire or drill. (1990 Code, sec. 9-99)

**Sec. 5.03.005 Duties of chief**
The duties of the chief, or the assistant chief in his absence, shall include sole and entire command of the volunteer fire department personnel and equipment at fires and during rescue work. The chief shall direct all measures he may deem proper for the extinguishment of fires and protection of life and property, the preservation of order and observance of all laws and regulations respecting fires, and the proper training of the members of the department, including certification for use of equipment and valid driver’s license for all drivers. (1990 Code, sec. 9-100)
ARTICLE 5.03 FIRE DEPARTMENT*

Sec. 5.03.006 Training
In order for a member of the volunteer fire department to use and operate city fire equipment, such member shall attend regular training services as prescribed by the constitution and bylaws of the department for an active member. Such training shall meet at least the minimum standards as required for volunteer firemen as required by the state department of insurance and other state agencies. Training may include both fire and rescue training. (1990 Code, sec. 9-101)

Sec. 5.03.007 Custody and use of equipment
The city fire equipment shall be turned over to the volunteer fire department to be used to the best advantage for the extinguishment and prevention of fires within the range of the city waterworks. The main city pumper may be used outside of the city only where there are fire hydrants and may not be used outside the city without permission of the mayor or the mayor’s designee. The other city fire equipment shall be used in accordance with the procedures established in the constitution and bylaws of the department. (1990 Code, sec. 9-102)

Sec. 5.03.008 Compensation of members
Although the service in the fire department is voluntary, the city council may, from time to time, provide certain benefits to the volunteers in accordance with the guidelines as approved by the city council. (1990 Code, sec. 9-103)

Sec. 5.03.009 Interfering with fire department
It shall be a misdemeanor for any person to interfere with or embarrass the action of the fire department of the city, or any officer or member thereof when in active service at a fire, or in going to or returning from same, by giving directions or commands, or interfering with the hose, engine or other fire apparatus, unless such person has been requested to assist the company by an officer of the fire department or some other officer in charge. (1990 Code, sec. 9-104)

Sec. 5.03.010 Obstructing fire hydrant or passway to engine house
It shall be unlawful for anyone to obstruct in any manner any of the fire hydrants of the city or the passway to and from the engine house. (1990 Code, sec. 9-105)
ARTICLE 5.03 FIRE DEPARTMENT*

**Sec. 5.03.011 Driving over fire hose**
It shall be unlawful to drive a truck, wagon, automobile or other vehicle over any fire hose, whether same is filled with water or empty, attached to a fire hydrant or a fire engine or lying loose in the street. (1990 Code, sec. 9-106)

*State law reference—Crossing fire hose, V.T.C.A., Transportation Code, sec. 545.408.*

**Sec. 5.03.012 Riding on apparatus**
It shall be unlawful for any person not an active bona fide member of the fire department to jump on any moving fire apparatus belonging to the city or ride on same while in practice or going to or returning from a fire. (1990 Code, sec. 9-107)

**Sec. 5.03.013 False fire alarms; interfering with fire alarm**
It shall be unlawful for any person, knowingly or falsely, by any means whatever, to fire or sound an alarm of fire, there being no fire, or to prevent any person from so giving or sounding an alarm when there is a fire. (1990 Code, sec. 9-108)

**Sec. 5.03.014 Delaying or interfering with firemen**
It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully delay or prevent any fireman from attending any fire or in any manner hinder any fireman from performing his duties. (1990 Code, sec. 9-109)

**Sec. 5.03.015 Parking near fire**
No vehicle, except by the direction of the fire chief or other authorized officers of the fire department, shall approach or park within six hundred (600) feet of a fire at any time, or be parked or left standing so as to in any way interfere with the work of the fire department; provided that this section shall not apply to apparatus or vehicles of the fire or police department. (1990 Code, sec. 9-111)

*State law reference—Parking in block where fire apparatus has stopped to answer fire alarm, V.T.C.A., Transportation Code, sec. 545.407.*

**Sec. 5.03.016 Fire lines**
It shall be the duty of the fire chief to establish fire lines during any serious fire when in his judgment it becomes necessary or advisable, and to prohibit anyone from going within such fire lines except as authorized by some member of the fire or police department, and when such fire lines are established it shall be unlawful for any person not authorized to enter therein. (1990 Code, sec. 9-112)
THINGS TO CONSIDER

- ADMINISTRATION EXPECTATIONS
  - ASSETS
  - AVOID FUNDING BURDENS
  - BEST OPTIONS
FINANCIAL STATEMENTS:
MCVFD hereby agrees to submit a copy of its financial statements prepared by an independent certified public accountant or a copy of its not-for-profit tax return within thirty days upon completion. MCVFD and Rockwall County EMS shall work cooperatively to establish a uniform accounting system or recording all fire protection revenues and expenditures not only those derived from annual contracts. MCVFD's books and records shall be subject to an independent certified audit by a Certified Public Accountant selected by the City of McLendon-Chisholm and paid for by the City at such times as the Accounting Board shall determine appropriate. *(Insert Term RCEMS Box GPS reference.)*

CONTRACT SERVICE:
MCVFD shall at all times during the period of this contract maintain and provide adequate and suitable support and management for the housing of apparatus, appliances and equipment, hereafter referred to generally as equipment, meeting TCFP standards for the condition and capabilities of such housing of such equipment, as those capabilities apply to the intended use, and that the housing for said equipment shall be maintained for year round service, and permitting it to be prepared for and be subject to call for response to and attendance upon any fire or emergency occurring in the fire protection district when notified by alarm, telephone call, or any other means from any person within said district of a fire or emergency within the district. MCVFD shall provide such support and management for the housing of apparatus, appliances and equipment, permitting the existing fire companies to respond and attend upon the fire or emergency without delay with one or more companies, equipment and resources that maybe necessary and suitable for the control of said fire or emergency, and the saving of life and property.
ADMINISTRATION EXPECTATIONS

ASSETS
Any equipment that is purchased shall be titled and listed as an asset to the City of McLendon-Chisholm or that it is the property of City of McLendon-Chisholm.

INSPECTIONS
MCVFD agrees that the City Council, its employees, agents, volunteer committees, servants and assigns shall, at a mutually agreed upon time, have access to any and all fire protection buildings, equipment and tools for the purpose of inspection and evaluation.

FEASIBILITY PLANNING 2018
MCVFD shall meet as needed and at all times work cooperatively with the City, Volunteer Boards to implement mutually agreed upon aspects of the approved McLendon-Chisholm's Fire Protection Master Plan which improves the operating effectiveness of providing fire protection and emergency services in the City and Mutual Aid Agreements within Rockwall County. All parties will work cooperatively to continue to develop and finalize a joint financial plan for the development of a central fire station and to implement a procurement process which avoids to the maximum extent possible duplicate equipment purchases.
NEW ASSET(S) PURCHASED
The City shall allow the MCVFD to use certain firefighting equipment owned by the City, with the City retaining ownership of the equipment. The MCVFD may use the City’s firefighting equipment in any of the MCVFD’s operations. The City owned equipment may be used by the department when necessary in the operations of the department outside the corporate limits of the McLendon-Chisholm. Except in extreme emergency situations, however, the MCVFD shall always have sufficient equipment available to protect lives and property within the corporate limits of the City. The MCVFD shall maintain the City owned equipment in good repair and the City shall bear the cost of insuring the equipment, either directly or by reimbursement to the MCVFD, at the discretion of the City. The MCVFD shall at all times keep the City informed as to the identity of all persons who may operate City owned vehicles and to provide necessary information to satisfy inquiries or insurers. (For example appropriate class of driver license with photo id.)

ISO INSPECTION
The MCVFD shall cooperate with the City in an effort to maintain the lowest possible fire insurance classification of the property within the corporate limits of the City. (Request inspection in 2018.)
ACQUIRE VEHICLES
The City shall pay to the _______ the sum of $___, such sum representing the accounts of the City dedicated for the benefit of fire protection services. This is a one time payment only, and this paragraph does not in any way obligate the City to make any annual or additional payments to the _____ in any amount, unless otherwise agreed to by the City herein or in another written agreement.

FOR EXAMPLE:
Seven Points: Insurance FD vehicles, insurance on building. They do not pay for salaries or benefits for VFD.
AVOID FUNDING BURDENS

WHAT IS OUR BUSINESS?
• Be responsible stewards.

• Look for the best options that encompasses our finances, safety and to ask questions.
  - Lack of Assets
  - Lack a Detailed Transitioned Plan
  - Annual Fear Mongering
  - Annual Political Camps
  - Constant Confusion

• Obligations are to the Citizens of McLendon-Chisholm.
  - They have the right to know what they are:
    ---> Paying for
    ---> Services
    ---> Investments
    ---> To Vote on Bonds (Remember the City Hall, Listing $1.5 Million in a budget proposal)
    ---> City Plans for A Station
BEST OPTIONS

CITY OWNED FD
- Employ A Chief and/or Staff
- Insurance PLUS benefits
- Ordinance Creation
- Code of Conduct

CONTRACT SERVICE WITH OTHER CITIES
- Review Mutual Aid Agreements

CONTRACT MCVFD
- Improve administration and agreement obligations.
- Reduce finances considerably.
- Set Certification Standards
- Certified Auditing/Certified Audit
- Uniform them like other City Contractors to make monthly payments.
- Code of Conduct