



COMMISSIONERS COURT COMMUNICATION

COURT ORDER NUMBER <#CourtOrderNumber#>

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DATE: 6/17/2025

**SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION OF A PROPERTY USE AND FEE WAIVER REQUEST
FROM AFTERBURNERS TOASTMASTERS CLUB 6191 TO USE THE
TARRANT COUNTY PLAZA BUILDING FOR AFTER-HOURS MEETINGS**

COMMISSIONERS COURT ACTION REQUESTED

It is requested that the Commissioners Court consider a request from Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 to use the Tarrant County Plaza Building for weekly after-hours group meetings, officer training classes, areas and division contests, and Youth Leadership Program, (YLP) courses in exchange for conducting public speaking training for Tarrant County Employees and Tarrant County youth. In addition, Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 is requesting all fees to be waived.

BACKGROUND

Since 2010, Tarrant County has partnered with the Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191, providing them use of the Tarrant County Plaza Building for after-hours meetings and events. In exchange, Afterburners Toastmasters delivers valuable public speaking training for County employees and offers a Youth Leadership Program (YLP) for employees' children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews, ages 8 through 17. The Tarrant County Human Resources Department and Afterburners Toastmasters developed the YLP curriculum to teach young people public speaking and leadership skills.

This collaboration has fostered two additional independent Toastmasters clubs for County employees: Tarrant County Toastmasters and The Main Street Speakers, both holding regular weekly meetings.

Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 has requested to continue using the Plaza Building's 5th-floor meeting rooms for their weekly after-hours group meetings, officer training classes, area and division contests, and YLP courses from January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2025. Their weekly meetings typically conclude before 9:00 p.m. on Tuesday evenings.

Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 has completed the required property use forms.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated fiscal impact based on salary average overtime rates for the Sheriff's Office is approximately \$4,963.00 for FY 2025 (17 dates) and \$3,795.00 for FY 2026 (13 dates). Salary and related costs will be charged to the following accounts:

\$4,963.00 – Sheriff's Office : 10000-2025 General Fund/2110610000 SO Courts-Security/510000 Personnel.
\$3,795.00 – Sheriff's Office : 10000-2026 General Fund/2110610000 SO Courts-Security/510000 Personnel.

SUBMITTED BY	Facilities Management	PREPARED BY:	Frank Lopez
		APPROVED BY:	Misty Foster

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS.

Time of event: 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Afterburners Club is a Toastmasters group that meets every Tuesday night from 7:00-8:30 pm providing members opportunities to hone skills in public speaking and in developing leadership skills to lead in the workplace and community.

_____ Set up equipment (tables/chairs/podium/speakers, etc.) requested from County

Cell phone number: 817-688-0282 Email: laurastewart1111@gmail.com

Event on-site contact person & cell phone number:

Laura Stewart

Applicant's printed name: Laura Stewart

Date: May 27, 2025

**RELEASE, INDEMNIFICATION
AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

THAT I, the undersigned Laura Stewart/Afterburners Toastmasters Club hereby
RELEASE and HOLD HARMLESS Tarrant County, Texas ("County") and all of its officials,
officers, agents and employees in both their public and private capacities, from any and all
claims, losses, damages, causes of action, suits and liability of every kind that may arise from any
of their act(s) and/or omission(s) that may occur as a result of my request to seek their help,
assistance, and/or service in connection with Weekly Toastmasters meetings and the
Youth Leadership workshops twice a year
for Tarrant County employees children

It is further agreed that the execution of this "**Release, Indemnification and Hold
Harmless Agreement**" will not constitute a waiver by the County of the defense of governmental
immunity where applicable, or any other defense recognized by law and/or the courts of the State
of Texas.

SIGNED this the 27 day of May, 2025.

Signature: Laura Stewart
Printed Name: Laura Stewart on behalf of Afterburners Toastmasters Club
Address: 2201 Yucca Ave
City: Fort Worth **State:** TX **Zip Code:** 76111
Phone #: 817-688-0282

FY25 Salary Costs Related to Afterburners Toastmasters Club									
Title	# of Employees	Event Length (Hrs)	Total Staff Hours	Hourly Rate	OT Rate	Hourly Cost	FICA	Retirement	Total Cost
Deputy Sheriff	2	34	68	\$ 41	\$ 61	\$ 4,152	\$318	\$ 493	\$ 4,962.67
								TOTAL	\$ 4,962.67

FY26 Salary Costs Related to Afterburners Toastmasters Club									
Title	# of Employees	Event Length (Hrs)	Total Staff Hours	Hourly Rate	OT Rate	Hourly Cost	FICA	Retirement	Total Cost
Deputy Sheriff	2	26	52	\$ 41	\$ 61	\$ 3,175	\$243	\$ 377	\$ 3,794.98
								TOTAL	\$ 3,794.98

Afterburners Club 6191
District 25, Division A, Area 11
200 Taylor Street, 5th Floor, Fort Worth, Texas 76102

Club Liaison to Tarrant County: Laura Stewart
Contact Information: laurastewart1111@gmail.com
817-688-0282

December 26, 2024

Roxie Held, HR Director

Re: Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191 – Compliance Letter

Dear Ms. Held:

Please accept this letter as our proposal to continue Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191's long-standing partnership with Tarrant County. Our partnership has historically included the use of meeting rooms on the 5th floor of Tarrant County Plaza Building. In order to use these facilities, Afterburners is available to continue providing the following at the request of the Department of Human Resources:

- A demonstration meeting once or twice each calendar year in an effort to inform County employees of the benefits of Toastmasters and to provide a preview of how an actual meeting is conducted.
- Provide two (2) eight-week Youth Leadership Programs for County employee's children, grandchildren, nieces, and nephews ages 8-17. The objective is to teach young people to write and deliver speeches, sharpen impromptu speaking skills, learn how to conduct a meeting, and develop leadership skills; all of which build confidence. Children of County employee's will have preferred seating and the course will be offered free of charge.

The above stipulations have been a part of our long-standing agreement, since 2010, with the County and we are prepared to honor them for the coming year of January 1, 2025 thru December 31, 2025. In return, we ask the County Commissioners Court to grant Afterburners continued access to meeting rooms in the Tarrant County Plaza Building for weekly meetings, officer training classes, area and division contests, and Youth Leadership programs.

Any person(s) attending a Toastmasters meeting or event is covered by the Toastmasters International Insurance Policy. A current General Certificate of Insurance is attached. The policy will automatically be renewed on December 11, 2025.

We look forward to continuing our mutually beneficial partnership with Tarrant County.

Laura Stewart, Club Liaison to Tarrant County
Afterburners Toastmasters Club 6191

CC: Mayra S Caldera, Interim Staff Development Officer w/attachments



CERTIFICATE OF LIABILITY INSURANCE

DATE (MM/DD/YYYY)

12/5/2024

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PRODUCER GMGS Risk Management & Insurance Services 6201 Oak Canyon, Suite 100 Irvine, CA 92618 www.gmgs.com 0B84519	CONTACT NAME: Dani Rembleski PHONE (A/C, No. Ext): 949-559-6700 FAX (A/C, No): E-MAIL ADDRESS: danir@gmgs.com INSURER(S) AFFORDING COVERAGE INSURER A: American Casualty Company of Reading, PA INSURER B: INSURER C: INSURER D: INSURER E: INSURER F:	NAIC # 20427
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COVERAGES**CERTIFICATE NUMBER:** 82922137**REVISION NUMBER:**

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INSR LTR	TYPE OF INSURANCE	ADDL INSD	SUBR WVD	POLICY NUMBER	POLICY EFF (MM/DD/YYYY)	POLICY EXP (MM/DD/YYYY)	LIMITS
A	☒ COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY ☐ CLAIMS-MADE ☒ OCCUR GEN'L AGGREGATE LIMIT APPLIES PER: ☒ POLICY ☐ PRO-JECT ☐ LOC OTHER:			6079663705	12/11/2024	12/11/2025	EACH OCCURRENCE \$1,000,000 DAMAGE TO RENTED PREMISES (Ea occurrence) \$1,000,000 MED EXP (Any one person) \$15,000 PERSONAL & ADV INJURY \$1,000,000 GENERAL AGGREGATE \$2,000,000 PRODUCTS - COMP/OP AGG \$2,000,000 \$
	AUTOMOBILE LIABILITY ☐ ANY AUTO ☐ OWNED AUTOS ONLY ☐ SCHEDULED AUTOS ☐ HIRED AUTOS ONLY ☐ NON-OWNED AUTOS ONLY						COMBINED SINGLE LIMIT (Ea accident) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per person) \$ BODILY INJURY (Per accident) \$ PROPERTY DAMAGE (Per accident) \$ \$
	UMBRELLA LIAB ☐ OCCUR EXCESS LIAB ☐ CLAIMS-MADE DED RETENTION \$						EACH OCCURRENCE \$ AGGREGATE \$ \$
	WORKERS COMPENSATION AND EMPLOYERS' LIABILITY ANY PROPRIETOR/PARTNER/EXECUTIVE OFFICER/MEMBER EXCLUDED? (Mandatory in NH) If yes, describe under DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS below	Y / N ☐	N / A				PER STATUTE OTH-ER E.L. EACH ACCIDENT \$ E.L. DISEASE - EA EMPLOYEE \$ E.L. DISEASE - POLICY LIMIT \$

DESCRIPTION OF OPERATIONS / LOCATIONS / VEHICLES (ACORD 101, Additional Remarks Schedule, may be attached if more space is required)

RE: Afterburners Club 6191

CERTIFICATE HOLDERAfterburners Club 6191

Tarrant County Plaza
Attn: Michael Amador
200 Taylor Street
Fort Worth TX 76102**CANCELLATION**

SHOULD ANY OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED POLICIES BE CANCELLED BEFORE THE EXPIRATION DATE THEREOF, NOTICE WILL BE DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY PROVISIONS.

AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE

Michael Finn

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