



# City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Fire

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: June 16, 2025

Re: City of Columbia support for Promulgation of the Boone County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP), 2025-2026 Revision.

## Executive Summary

Staff requests City Council to formally support the promulgation of the Boone County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan (CEMP), 2025-2026 Revision.

## Discussion

This resolution is a necessary step in aligning our City with a countywide strategy for emergency preparedness and resilience. The CEMP is a foundational document that guides coordinated preparedness, response, recovery, and mitigation efforts across our region. Emergency management is not just a function of post-disaster recovery—it is central to preserving lives, safeguarding infrastructure, and ensuring continuity of operations for the City of Columbia. Recent tornadoes and other severe weather events have underscored the urgent need for unified planning and resilient systems. These events affect not only public safety but also municipal operations, business continuity, and the well-being of our entire community. The City of Columbia cannot operate in a vacuum when it comes to emergency management. The CEMP links our jurisdiction with Boone County's emergency management framework, which is our legislatively designated conduit to state and federal disaster systems, including FEMA and SEMA. Through this connection, we gain access to vital resources, mutual aid, disaster declarations, and recovery support.

As a participant in the development of the revised CEMP, the Columbia Fire Department affirms the plan's alignment with the National Incident Management System (NIMS), and its utility as a tool for coordinated action in times of crisis.

The City's support is both a legal necessity and a strategic imperative. Endorsing the CEMP demonstrates our commitment to building a stronger, more connected, and responsive community in the face of growing natural and human-caused threats.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### [Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Safe Community, Secondary Impact: Not Applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

### [Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

Primary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Secondary Impact: Secondary, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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Legislative History
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Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action
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