



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: First Amendment to the Cooperative Agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri on guidelines for EMT-B Clinical Hours.

Executive Summary

Staff requests authorization for the City Manager to sign the First Amendment to the agreement with The Curators of the University of Missouri, enabling Emergency Medical Technician – Basic (EMT-B) Clinical Hours for our new hires.

Discussion

The Fire Department is an accredited entity with the Missouri Bureau of Emergency Medical Services as an Emergency Medical Technician – Basic (EMT-B) training site. This accreditation has enabled the fire department to provide high-quality, internal emergency medical services education to our firefighters.

A required component of EMT-B licensure is for the student to gain experience working with medical patients in a real-world setting, known as patient contacts. The process includes ambulance rotations, shifts in emergency departments and fire department responses.

The current cooperative agreement, enacted by the council on February 19, 2024, grants our staff access to the University of Missouri's emergency department and ambulances to facilitate patient care and contact. This amendment is necessary to remove provisions related to the Coordinating Council, as these provisions do not apply to our staff and would introduce undue delays to the process.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Inter-Governmental Cooperation, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable



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Legislative History

Date	Action
02/19/2024	Ordinance B29-24: Authorizing a cooperative agreement with The Curators of the University Missouri, on behalf of University of Missouri Health Care, to provide clinical experience for firefighters training for emergency medical services certification.

Suggested Council Action

Approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the amendment.