



Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: October 1, 2018

Re: Agreement with Boone County Emergency Management for Siren at Cosmo-Bethel Park

## Executive Summary

The Parks & Recreation Department is requesting a Council ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement with the Boone County Office of Emergency Management for the installation of a permanent outdoor warning siren located in the southeast corner of Cosmo-Bethel Park, near the Rock Bridge High School football/soccer field. This area has been identified as lacking in adequate siren coverage. The placement of this siren and ongoing maintenance costs will be the responsibility of Boone County Emergency Management and there will be no cost to the City for either installation or operation.

## Discussion

The Office of Boone County Emergency Management has identified an area near Cosmo-Bethel Park, 4500 Bethel Street, as lacking in adequate coverage for the County's emergency siren notification plan. Parks and Recreation staff has been working with Boone County Emergency staff on selecting a location that would provide adequate siren coverage and not impact future development of Cosmo-Bethel Park. As shown on the attached Proposed Siren Location plan, the siren will be located in the southeast corner of the park near the intersection of Southampton and John Garry Drives.

As indicated in the attached letter from Mr. Tom Hurley of the Office of Boone County Emergency Management, the siren will be placed on a single wooden utility pole, approximately 40 feet in height. The siren will be powered by a solar cell so there will not be any electricity needed.

The placement of the siren will be at no cost to the City either for installation or for ongoing maintenance. In the event future needs require relocation of the siren, all relocation costs will be the responsibility of Boone County.

## Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

## Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

### Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Infrastructure, Tertiary Impact: Tertiary



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## [Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

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

### Legislative History

Date	Action
N/A	N/A

### Suggested Council Action

Approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute the agreement with Boone County Emergency Management for the installation and operation of an emergency siren in Cosmo-Bethel Park.