

City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Public Health and Human Services To: City Council From: City Manager & Staff Council Meeting Date: August 19, 2019 Re: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services State Data Center Memorandum of Understanding

Executive Summary

An ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Columbia and the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services to facilitate access to the Missouri state data center for the issuance of birth and death certificates and the associated information technology activities. This MOU will be effective for the period of September 1, 2019 through August 31, 2020.

Discussion

This bill will authorize the Interim City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services for issuance of computerized birth and death certificates by the Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services.

The City retains the \$15.00 fee for each copy of a computerized birth certificate and the \$13.00 fee for the first copy of each computerized death certificate (\$10.00 for each additional copy requested at the same time) less approximately \$1.46 per transaction. Estimated revenue for FY19 is \$207,000.

This program allows local health departments to issue on-the-spot birth and death certificates. This is a considerable improvement over the prior system which required persons needing such documents to fill out a form and mail it to the State Health Department along with the fee. The process often took several weeks. Area residents continue to be pleased with the quick response from this service.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None. Revenues and expenditures were anticipated as part of the FY19 budget. No appropriation is necessary. Long-Term Impact: None.

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

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



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Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Not Applicable, Secondary Impact: Not applicable, Tertiary Impact: Not Applicable

Legislative History	
Date	Action
Annual	The Vital Records program has been in place since 1996.

Suggested Council Action

Should the Council agree with staff recommendations, an affirmative vote is in order.