



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Fire

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: February 5, 2024

Re: Memorandum of Understanding to establish guidelines for EMT-B Clinical Hours with The Curators of University of Missouri

Executive Summary

Staff requests authorization for the City Manager to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with The Curators of the University of Missouri regarding EMT-B Clinical Hours.

Discussion

The Fire Department has completed the process of obtaining new Training Center accreditation from the Missouri Bureau of Emergency Medical Services as an Emergency Medical Technician – Basic (EMT-B) training site. This accreditation will enable the fire department to provide internal, high quality emergency medical services education for our firefighters. This program will be structured to begin immediately upon conclusion of basic firefighter training for those members who need this job-required certification.

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.

This MOU would enable The Curators of the University of Missouri to allow students access to their emergency department and ambulances to obtain patient contacts in order to complete course requirements.

The EMT-B training program is a critical component of our ongoing commitment to better serve the needs of our community.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Public Safety, Secondary Impact: Operational 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
NA	NA

Suggested Council Action

Approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the MOU.