



City of Columbia

701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Sustainability

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: October 3, 2022

Re: Cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation for financial support of the Community Conservationist position within the Office of Sustainability.

Executive Summary

Staff has created for council approval an ordinance to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) for financial support of the Community Conservationist position. This position was created in FY17 and has been jointly funded by the City of Columbia and MDC since its creation.

Discussion

Attached for your consideration and approval is a cooperative agreement between the City of Columbia and the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC). This agreement extends and continues a program initiated in FY17 (B169-16) in which MDC provides financial support for the Community Conservationist position within the Office of Sustainability. The Community Conservationist provides professional design and evaluation support to projects of the City of Columbia and coordinates projects educating the community about the social, environmental, and economic value of healthy urban natural resources. This agreement may be renewed for two additional one-year terms upon mutual agreement and as funding is available.

Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: \$105,000

Long-Term Impact: Unknown at this time

Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

Strategic Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Reliable Infrastructure, Secondary Impact: Organizational Excellence, Tertiary Impact: Inclusive Community

Comprehensive Plan Impacts:

Primary Impact: Livable & Sustainable Communities, Secondary Impact: Environmental Management, Tertiary Impact: Land Use & Growth Management



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Legislative History

Date	Action
7/18/2016	B169-16 Authorizing the first cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation for financial support of a community conservation planner position within the Office of Sustainability beginning in FY17.
8/19/2019	B221-19 Authorization of second cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation for financial support of the community conservation position within the Office of Sustainability.

Suggested Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council vote to approve the cooperative agreement with the Missouri Department of Conservation to support the continued work of the Community Conservationist.