



701 East Broadway, Columbia, Missouri 65201

Department Source: Parks and Recreation

To: City Council

From: City Manager & Staff

Council Meeting Date: December 15, 2025

Re: Agreement with Columbia School District No. 93 for Emergency Use of Park Facilities

Impacted Ward: Multiple Wards

### Executive Summary

The Parks and Recreation Department is requesting an ordinance authorizing the City Manager to sign an agreement with Columbia School District No. 93 for emergency use of park facilities. The Parks and Recreation Department has worked closely with Columbia Public Schools and the Boone County Office of Emergency Management to create emergency plans that would utilize the Columbia Sports Fieldhouse or Northeast Event Center as a reunification center in the case of an emergency within a Columbia Public Schools facility. The agreement will be effective upon City Council approval and will expire June 30, 2026.

### Discussion

Parks and Recreation staff has been working closely with staff from Columbia School District No. 93 (CPS) and the Boone County Office of Emergency Management to develop student and staff reunification plans that will utilize the Columbia Sports Fieldhouse or Northeast Event Center in the case of an emergency impacting a Columbia Public Schools facility. If an event occurred at a CPS school or facility that required evacuation, CPS officials would initiate their reunification plans and would contact P&R staff to request the use of a park facility. The park facility would only be used at the time of the event to serve as the location for parents or guardians to pick up a student or staff member. The approval of this ordinance will finalize the agreement between the City and CPS for the use of park facilities.

The agreement outlines methods of communication for the request of facilities, CPS responsibility for damaged property, the term of the agreement, and legal responsibilities of each party.

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### Fiscal Impact

Short-Term Impact: None

Long-Term Impact: None

### Strategic & Comprehensive Plan Impact

#### [Strategic Plan Impacts:](#)

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



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[Comprehensive Plan Impacts:](#)

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

Legislative History	
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Date	Action
N/A	N/A

Suggested Council Action
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Approve the ordinance authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement with Columbia School District No. 93 for emergency use of park facilities.