# AGREEMENT FOR FIRE SERVICE MUTUAL AID BETWEEN CITY OF COLUMBIA AND CITY OF FULTON

THIS AGREEMENT for fire service mutual aid is made by and between the CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI ("COLUMBIA"), a municipal corporation and the CITY OF FULTON, MISSOURI ("FULTON"), a municipal corporation and is entered into on the date of the last signatory below (hereinafter "Effective Date"). COLUMBIA and FULTON are each individually referred to herein as a "Party" and collectively as "Parties."

WHEREAS, Section 320.090 of the Revised Statutes of the State of Missouri permits mutual aid between municipal fire departments, fire protection districts, and fire protection associations, and

WHEREAS, the two parties to this agreement are fire service organizations desiring to secure to their respective geographical area the benefits of mutual aid with each other in fire service equipment, personnel, and other resources for the protection of life and property during emergencies such as fire, emergency medical incidents, rescue incidents, hazardous materials incidents, and natural disasters, and

WHEREAS, there might arise in one of the said fire service organization an emergency of such proportion, or other circumstances as to require the assistance of the other party in controlling or managing such significant emergencies;

IT IS THEREFORE MUTUALLY AGREED for and in consideration of the mutual agreements between the selected parties that:

- 1. The following terms shall have the following meanings when used in this agreement:
  - a. Requesting party is a signatory fire service organization hereto that is requesting mutual aid assistance from another fire service organization.
  - b. Responding party is a signatory fire service organization hereto that is called upon to provide mutual aid assistance.
- 2. Upon request for mutual aid assistance, the Responding Party will send equipment, personnel, and other resources to any point within the area for which the Requesting Party normally provides service; provided, however that response is to be given only when the Responding Party, in the judgment of its fire chief or designated representative, can reasonably furnish such assistance without imperiling the safety of the citizens served by the Responding Party.
- 3. The fire service organizations, parties hereto, agree not to call for assistance unless it is of an emergency nature, and the circumstances exist where the Requesting Parties resources have been significantly reduced by the emergency response.
- 4. The authority in charge of the Responding Party shall be the sole judge of the extent and amount of assistance to be furnished under the circumstances of each particular case. It is agreed that the parties shall not be liable in any other way to the other, or its inhabitants or any person, firm, or corporation for the failure to assistance requested.
- 5. Any dispatch of equipment and personnel pursuant to this agreement is subject to the following conditions:

- a. Any request for aid shall include a statement of the requested resources, and shall specify the location for response.
- b. The parties agree to operate and coordinate the emergency incident within the organizations framework of the National Incident Management System.
- c. A Responding Parties operational units shall be under the immediate supervision of the Responding Parties designated representative.
- d. A Responding Party shall be released by the Requesting Party when, in the judgment of the incident commander, the services of the Responding Party are no longer required. Provided, however, it is mutually recognized that each party hereto owes their primary allegiance and service to its own citizens. Therefore, the Responding Party may be recalled by its fire chief, or designated representative if, in the officer's opinion, a need exists for the Responding Party to render services within its normal service area.
- 6. Each party, in consideration of this agreement to provide emergency assistance, does waive any and all claims against each other party for damages or compensation for any loss, damage, personnel injury, death, or any other matter occurring as a consequence of performance under this agreement.
- 7. The Parties agree that notwithstanding anything stated elsewhere in the Agreements, nothing shall be construed to constitute a waiver by the Parties of the defense of sovereign immunity and that to the extent permitted by law, neither Party will indemnify the other under the terms of the Agreement.
- 8. No party to this agreement shall be under any obligation to reimburse the other parties for any cost or services incurred pursuant to rendering of or acceptance of any equipment or manpower under the terms of this agreement. The Requesting Party shall reimburse the Responding Party for consumables utilized at an incident.
- 9. It is recognized that the interest herein are mutual and the contract is entered into for the common good of the general public of the parties hereto, and for strictly governmental purpose.
- 10. Any party may cancel mutual aid with the other party upon providing sixty (60) day written notice.
- 11. Parties may elect to specific additional provisions by addendum to this agreement.

[SIGNATURES ON FOLLOWING PAGE]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Parties hereto have executed this Amendment by their duly authorized representatives as of the date of the last signatory hereto.

#### CITY OF COLUMBIA, MISSOURI

	By:
ATTESTED BY:	
Sheela Amin, City Clerk	
APPROVED AS TO FORM:	
Nancy Thompson, City Counselor/mc	
ATTEST:  By: Kathie Ratliff, City Clerk	By: Courtney L Doyle (Oct 29, 2025 15:38:39 CDT)  Courtney L. Doyle  Courtney L. Doyle  Director of Administration  10/28/25  Date:
APPROVED AS TO FORM:  Thomas K. Riley  Thomas K. Riley (Oct 29, 2025 08:12:07 CDT)  Tom Riley, City Counselor	

#### Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION, ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF FULTON, MISSOURI, TO SIGN ALL NECESSARY DOCUMENTS IN RELATION TO THE FIRE DEPARTMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF COLUMBIA AND THE CITY OF FULTON, AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FULTON, MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: That the Council hereby authorizes the Director of Administration, on behalf of the City of Fulton, Missouri, to sign all necessary documents in relation to the Fire Department Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Columbia and the City of Fulton. A copy of the agreement is attached hereto and marked Exhibit "A" and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set out at this point.

SECTION TWO: That all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

SECTION THREE: That this ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage by the Council and approval by the Mayor

READ THREE TIMES AND PASSED THIS 28th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

the Council

Steve F. Myers

Steve F. Mvers

APPROVED THIS 28th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

Kathie Ratliff

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