



City of Olathe

COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM

MEETING DATE: 6/4/2019

DEPARTMENT: Fire

STAFF CONTACT: Jeff DeGraffenreid / Mark Wassom

SUBJECT: Consideration of an updated Interlocal Agreement with the Eastern Kansas Multi-County Task Force for reciprocal fire investigation assistance.

ITEM DESCRIPTION:

Consideration of an updated Interlocal Agreement with the Eastern Kansas Multi-County Task Force for reciprocal fire investigation assistance.

SUMMARY:

The City of Olathe Fire Department has been a participating member of the Eastern Kansas Multi-County Task Force (EKMCTF) since the agreement was originally signed in 1994. The EKMCTF is in organization whose purpose is to provide a group of qualified fire investigators to an agency or district within the EKMCTF group when needed. The agreement allows for the Olathe Fire Department to provide fire investigation personnel and equipment upon request to assist neighboring jurisdictions. This same reciprocal assistance is available to the City of Olathe from other jurisdictions should we experience an incident that exceeds our available resources.

The agreement was updated in December of 2017 to add Miami County to the task force. Since the signing of that document, KSA 12-2908 has been revised and is better for the EKMCTF and the City of Olathe. Several City attorneys worked with the Kansas AG to draft this new agreement. The revised KSA 12-2908 will help us avoid having the EKMCTF agreement signed anytime a new county becomes a member. This new agreement will also not need to go to the Attorney General for review, be filed with the Secretary of State, or the Deed Office for each county.

Staff has attached the updated EKMCTF agreement requiring approval and signature. The agreement is significantly revised in wording; however, it does not functionally change our participation in the task force. The document requires the signature of the Mayor to indicate acceptance of the agreement. We have also attached the current agreement for your information.

FINANCIAL IMPACT:

None

ACTION NEEDED:

Consideration and approval of the agreement

ATTACHMENT(S):

- A: Updated EKMCTF-Olathe Agreement
 - B: Current Interlocal Agreement - EKMCTF 12-19-17
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