

**RESOLUTION NO. 2025-07-\_\_\_\_\_**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A NEW FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY AND COWLEY COUNTY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT NO. 5, TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES TO THAT DISTRICT, INCLUDING AN INCREASE IN THE ANNUAL LEVY FROM 7.5 MILLS TO 7.8 MILLS.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Arkansas City has provided fire protection and emergency response services to Rural Fire District No. 5 (RFD No. 5), Cowley County, Kansas, through a series of agreements since 2007, commencing with Resolution No. 2007-05-2402, including addendums thereto; and

**WHEREAS**, the current agreement, established under Addendum No. 3, Resolution No. 2021-06-3414, is set to expire on December 31, 2025; and

**WHEREAS**, representatives from the City and RFD No. 5 have negotiated a new five-year agreement to continue such services from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2031; and

**WHEREAS**, the parties desire to enter into the new agreement which maintains the current service standards and includes an adjustment in compensation by increasing the annual mill levy from 7.5 mills to 7.8 mills on all taxable tangible property within the boundaries of RFD No. 5, to account for increased costs of service related to equipment maintenance, personnel, insurance, general operational expenses and fire station improvements.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE AFORESTATED PREMISES, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ARKANSAS CITY, KANSAS:**

**SECTION ONE:** The Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City hereby authorizes the Mayor the City of Arkansas City to execute an Agreement with Cowley County Rural Fire District No. 5, Cowley County, Kansas, whereby the Arkansas City Fire Department will provide fire protection and response services to the area served by Rural Fire District No. 5 until December 31, 2031. Such Agreement is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein.

**SECTION TWO:** The Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, hereby authorizes the Mayor and/or City Manager of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, to take such further and other necessary actions that are required to effectuate the intent and purposes of this Legislative Enactment.

**SECTION THREE:** This Resolution will be in full force and effect from its date of passage by the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas.

**PASSED AND RESOLVED** by the Governing Body of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2025.

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Chad D. Beeson, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Larry R. Schwartz, City Attorney

**CERTIFICATE**

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of Resolution No. 2025-07-\_\_\_\_\_ of the City of Arkansas City, Kansas, adopted by the Governing Body thereof on July 15, 2025 as the same appears of record in my office.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_.

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Tiffany Parsons, City Clerk