



# City Commission Agenda Item

**Meeting Date:** February 7, 2023

**From:** Chris Ledeker, Fire Chief

**Item:** Memorandum of Understanding for Mutual Aid with the City of Newkirk, Oklahoma Fire Department

**Purpose:** Consider a Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Newkirk, Oklahoma Fire Department, to provide mutual aid to each other in an event of an emergency within each other's range of resource capabilities including fire and EMS apparatus, equipment, and manpower, as requested and available.  
**(Voice Vote)**

**Background:**

Due to staffing issues within the department, it is standard practice to request resources from outside entities to help in emergency response and mitigation. It is common to have mutual aid agreements in place with neighboring Fire and EMS departments.

Having a mutual aid agreement with City of Newkirk Fire Department allows both entities to cross jurisdictional boundaries to provide necessary apparatus, equipment, and personnel when a local emergency exceed local resources.

**Commission Options:**

1. Approve the Resolution
2. Disapprove the Resolution
3. Table the Resolution for further discussion

**Fiscal Impact:**

Amount: None

Fund: Department: Expense Code:

☐ Included in budget ☐ Grant ☐ Bonds ☒ Other Not Budgeted

This is not a budgeted item; however, we have the funds to purchase these items.

**Approved for Agenda by:**

Randy Frazer, City Manager