



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: August 6, 2024
From: Randy Frazer, City Manager
Item: MOU – Outdoor Warning Sirens

Purpose: A Resolution authorizing the City of Arkansas City into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) by and between the City of Arkansas City, KS and Cowley County, KS, for the purpose of establishing a coordinated approach for the use, maintenance, and operation of Outdoor Warning Sirens within the jurisdiction of Arkansas City and Cowley County. **(Voice Vote)**

Background:

Both the City of Arkansas City and Cowley County have sole and joint responsibilities when it comes to the use, maintenance and operation of outdoor warning sirens. This agreement will help both parties be more efficient in terms of communication in the event of a disaster through the integration of the City’s Outdoor Warning Sirens into the County’s emergency notification system. Further ensuring that the City is included in the County’s disaster emergency plan, providing support and resource. The City as sole owner of the Outdoor Warning Sirens located inside the city limits shall communicate and notify the County of any changes or issues related to the Outdoor Warning Sirens within 72 hours.

This MOU is established under the authority granted by Kansas Statute 48-929, which mandates the creation and maintenance of disaster agencies at the county and city levels, as well as coordination between these agencies.

Commission Options:

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

Fiscal Impact:

Amount:

Fund: Department: Expense Code:

Included in budget Grant Bonds Other Not Budgeted

Attachments:

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager