

## CITY OF MARSHALL AGENDA ITEM REPORT

Presenter:	Steven Anderson
Meeting Date:	Tuesday, April 22, 2025
Category:	NEW BUSINESS
Туре:	ACTION
Subject:	2025-2028 Township Fire Services Agreements
Background Information:	On January 23, 2025, city staff, two councilmembers, two Lyon County commissioners and representatives from the contracted townships met to review the terms and amounts of the annual service agreement. The original formula to determine the service charge for each of the townships was based on the formula recommended by the Minnesota Township Association. The formula used factors such as the number of service calls and population of the township to create an equitable distribution of operational costs of the fire department to the townships. After numerous meetings city staff and township representatives discussed and reached mutually acceptable terms.
	The Fire Services provided by the Marshall Fire Department remain largely unchanged. The services include the deployment of firefighting personnel and equipment to extinguish a fire or perform any preventative measure to protect equipment, life or property in an area threatened by fire. The agreement also includes the deployment of firefighting personnel and equipment to provide rescue, extrication, and other services related to fire and rescue that may occasionally occur. Along with the services provided the agreement was amended to a three-year contract term with an annual review of the services provided.  City staff suggested that a committee be formed that would include city councilmembers, city
	staff, township elected officials, and Lyon County Commissioners to discuss and create a new formula or method that is consistent and uses readily available data.
	The following townships have agreed to the new terms and service fee amounts:  • Clifton Township: \$14,400; 24 sections  • Fairview Township: \$19,871.00; 22.84 sections
	Lake Marshall Township: \$26,314.00; 28.54 sections
	• Lynd Township: \$10,212.00; 12 sections
	<ul> <li>Sodus Township: \$12,012.00; 28 sections</li> <li>Stanley Township: \$5,712.00; 12 sections</li> </ul>
Fiscal Impact:	\$88,521.00
Alternative/ Variations:	None Recommended.
Recommendations:	To approve the 2025-2028 Township Fire Services Agreements with the townships that have submitted signed agreements.