BILL 2019-64

First Reading

AGENDA ITEM

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: Mike O'Donnell, Fire Chief

DATE: November 18, 2019

RE: Cameron Rural Fire District Contract

ISSUE:

The Cameron Rural Fire District contracts with the City of Cameron for fire protection and emergency services. Voters approved the rural district in November 1994 which guaranteed fire protection and emergency services in approximately a 144 square mile area **outside** the city limits of Cameron. Voters also approved a tax levy to support the district. The contract between the City of Cameron and the Cameron Rural Fire District states that sixty percent (60%) of revenues collected by the Rural District be paid to the City for emergency services. The contract also states forty percent (40%) of the money retained by the Rural District be spent to purchase equipment for the Cameron Fire Department and equipment to be titled to the City of Cameron.

The contract shall allow the Cameron Rural Fire District to charge individuals who reside outside of the district, but receive emergency services within the boundaries of the district, for actual and reasonable cost of such services. All billing and collections shall be the responsibility of the District. Revenue received by the District shall be managed by the District and used to purchase equipment for the Cameron Fire Department.

The City of Cameron will continue to submit billing for Haz-Mat incidents.

The cooperation between the Rural Fire District and the City of Cameron Fire Department has been exceptional. New money has allowed the Fire Department to upgrade equipment and provide a professional modern day Fire Department.

Each year the Mayor signs a service agreement with the Cameron Rural Fire District to provide emergency services outside the City limits of Cameron.

RECOMMENDATION:

Council to allow the Mayor to sign a service agreement with the Cameron Rural Fire District for fire protection and emergency services outside the City limits of Cameron.

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AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CAMERON FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT AND THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION AND EMERGENCY SERVICES OUTSIDE THE CAMERON CITY LIMITS

WHEREAS, the City of Cameron and the Cameron Rural Fire District have for several years contracted together for emergency services; and

WHEREAS, the cooperation between the Rural Fire District and the City of Cameron Fire Department has been exceptional during the contracted time; and

WHEREAS, the Cameron Rural Fire District and the City of Cameron Fire Department desire to continue the service agreement providing fire protection and emergency services outside the City limits of Cameron.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CAMERON, MISSOURI AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The Mayor is authorized to sign a service agreement with the Cameron Fire Protection District to provide fire protection and emergency services outside the City limits of Cameron all as per the agreement attached hereto and made a part hereof. Said agreement expires December 31, 2020.

Section 2. The City Clerk is hereby directed to attest to the Mayor's signature.

Passed and approved on first reading this 18th day of November 2019.
Passed and approved on second and final reading this _____ day of December, 2019.

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Mayor Darlene Breckenridge

ATTEST:

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City Clerk

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