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The City of Hazelwood

To: Board of Robertson Fire Protection District of St. Louis County
From: Matthew Robinson, Mayor, City of Hazelwood
Date: April 26, 2018
Subject: Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement

Subsequent to the December 21, 2017 delivery of the City of Hazelwood's ("City") Notice of Termination of the Fire Service Agreement between the Robertson Fire Protection District ("RFPD"), authorized by Ordinance No. 2667-95 and effective as of October 10, 1995 ("Fire Service Agreement"), the City has received no communications from the RFPD Board regarding interest in pursuing a Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement as outlined in the above-referenced Notice of Termination.

As you are aware, the City has stated that unless a mutually agreeable Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement is finalized and approved by the City and the RFPD on or before July 1, 2018, the City will have no choice but to proceed unilaterally with plans to provide fire protection, emergency services and ambulance services to City residents and property owners in that area of the City presently serviced by RFPD. The City is committed to providing quality municipal services including fire services, emergency services and ambulance services to all its citizens and property owners on a professional and timely basis effective January 1, 2019. The City desires to proceed on a cooperative basis with the RFPD pursuant to a Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement but has made plans to proceed unilaterally in the event there is no RFPD cooperation.

Please advise the City immediately whether the RFPD wishes to discuss and pursue a Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement or, alternatively, has no interest in proceeding on this course of action. If the City does not receive a formal response from the RFPD to this correspondence by May 11, 2018, it will assume that there is no interest on the part of the RFPD in a Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement.

Additionally, the City wishes to inform the RFPD that it intends to notify Central County Emergency 911 the week of May 12 that the City's Fire Department will be assuming operational control of the area of the City presently served by RFPD as of January 1, 2019, and arrange for their dispatch services to be provided through the City. Given that Central County Emergency 911 is presently providing dispatch services for both the City Fire Department and RFPD, it appears that this aspect of the transition should be accomplished relatively seamlessly.

If the RFPD Board has any questions or suggestions on how to proceed with a Transition Fire Protection Service Agreement in the next few days, please contact City Manager Matt Zimmerman to discuss.

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