

## **City Council**

# Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Mutual Aid Agreement with the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord for Fire and Emergency Services

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#### Title

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# Recommended Action

## **Committee Recommendation:**

Not referred to a committee.

## **City Manager Recommendation:**

Move to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mutual Aid Agreement with the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, for Fire and Emergency Services.

## Report

## Issue:

Whether to approve a Resolution Authorizing the Mutual Aid Agreement with the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, for Fire and Emergency Services to secure for each the benefit of mutual aid response of fire and emergency services resources should the need arise.

#### **Staff Contact:**

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#### Presenter(s):

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## **Background and Analysis:**

This mutual aid agreement for fire and emergency services between the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, for Fire and Emergency Services, and the City of Olympia has been in place for many years. The agreement establishes authority, process, and responsibilities regarding how each organization will support an emergency requiring assistance outside one another's primary mutual aid system.

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This agreement aims to address hazards mitigated by the fire service. This includes fire prevention, extinguishing uncontrolled fires, emergency medical services care, hazardous material containment and confinement response, and special rescue operations.

## Climate Analysis:

While this mutual aid agreement does not specifically address one of the sectors in the Climate Framework, it does support the City's initiative to reduce the impacts of climate change by helping to ensure the emergency response system has the appropriate resources available to address all-hazard threats. The quicker resources can mobilize and mitigate the emergency, the less the environmental impacts will be.

## **Equity Analysis:**

The impacts of this mutual aid agreement have been applied through the equity lens of the City's Equity Framework. This agreement will help the Olympia Fire Department achieve its mission to respond rapidly to mitigate emergencies for all community members. The agreement provides a mechanism for giving and receiving resources between the Olympia Fire Department and the United States of America Joint Base Lewis-McChord Department.

## **Financial Impact:**

None

## Neighborhood/Community Interests (if known):

None known.

## **Options:**

- 1. Approve the Resolution authorizing the Mutual Aid Agreement with the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, for Fire and Emergency Services.
- 2. Do not approve the Resolution authorizing the Mutual Aid Agreement with the United States Army, Joint Base Lewis-McChord, for Fire and Emergency Services.
- 3. Take other action.

## **Attachments:**

Resolution Agreement