

INTRODUCED: February 12, 2018

AN ORDINANCE No. 2018-040

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, to execute a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the City of Petersburg, Virginia, for the purpose of establishing cooperation between the City of Richmond’s Department of Police and the City of Petersburg’s Police Department in the furnishing of certain law enforcement services.

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Patron – Mayor Stoney

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Approved as to form and legality  
by the City Attorney  
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PUBLIC HEARING: MAR 12 2018 AT 6 P.M.

THE CITY OF RICHMOND HEREBY ORDAINS:

§ 1. That the Chief Administrative Officer, for and on behalf of the City of Richmond, be and is hereby authorized to execute a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Richmond, Virginia, and the City of Petersburg, Virginia, for the purpose of establishing cooperation between the City of Richmond’s Department of Police and the City of Petersburg’s Police Department in the furnishing of certain law enforcement services. The Law Enforcement

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ADOPTED:   MAR 12 2018   REJECTED: \_\_\_\_\_   STRICKEN: \_\_\_\_\_

Mutual Aid Agreement shall be approved as to form by the City Attorney and shall be substantially in the form of the document attached to this ordinance.

§ 2. This ordinance shall be in force and effect upon adoption.



CITY OF RICHMOND
INTRACITY CORRESPONDENCE

O & R REQUEST
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Office of the
Chief Administrative Officer

O&R REQUEST

DATE: January 8, 2017

EDITION: 1

TO: The Honorable Members of City Council

THROUGH: The Honorable Levar M. Stoney, Mayor [Signature]

THROUGH: Selena Cuffee-Glenn, Chief Administrative Officer [Signature]

FROM: Alfred Durham, Chief of Police [Signature]

RE: LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

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OFFICE OF CITY ATTORNEY

ORD. OR RES. No. \_\_\_\_\_

PURPOSE:

To authorize the Chief Administrative Officer to execute, on behalf of the City of Richmond, a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement to formally establish cooperation between the law enforcement agencies of the city of Richmond, Virginia, and the city of Petersburg, Virginia.

REASON:

The Code of the Commonwealth of Virginia Sections 15.2-1724, 15.2-1726 and 15.2-1736 authorize the governing bodies of localities to enter into Police Mutual Aid Agreements for cooperation in furnishing of certain police services. The City of Richmond and City of Petersburg concur to execute an agreement, pursuant to this authority, as it is deemed mutually beneficial to each jurisdiction.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City Administration recommends adoption of this ordinance.

**BACKGROUND:**

The City of Richmond and City of Petersburg have determined that the provision of law enforcement aid between the parties will increase the ability to preserve the safety and welfare of the entire area.

As such, the parties, pursuant to this Agreement, will endeavor to provide reciprocal law enforcement support within the capabilities available at the time the request is made and with the terms of the Agreement.

The parties also recognize that they are each fully capable of independently providing services to adequately serve their respective jurisdictions. This Agreement further enhances each of the parties involved ability to do so.

**FISCAL IMPACT/COST:** None

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

No party to this Agreement shall be liable to the other party for any loss or damage to equipment or the personal injury or death of law enforcement personnel resulting from the performance of this Agreement.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT NECESSARY:** No

**REVENUE TO CITY:** None

**DESIRED EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon adoption

**REQUESTED INTRODUCTION DATE:** January 26, 2018

**CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING DATE:** February 12, 2018

**REQUESTED AGENDA:** Consent Agenda

**RECOMMENDED COUNCIL COMMITTEE:** Public Safety

**CONSIDERATION BY OTHER GOVERNMENTAL ENTITIES:** None

**AFFECTED AGENCIES:** The City of Richmond Police Department

**RELATIONSHIP TO EXISTING ORD. OR RES.:** None

**REQUIRED CHANGES TO WORK PROGRAM(S):** None

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**ATTACHMENTS:**

Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement between the City of Richmond and the City of Petersburg

**STAFF:**

David M. Mitchell, Esq., General Counsel, Richmond Police Department, 804-646-4467

LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

This AGREEMENT is made this 14<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2017, by and between and among the CITY OF PETERSBURG, and the CITY OF RICHMOND, VIRGINIA (each, individually a "party" and collectively the "parties").

WHEREAS, Code of Virginia §§ 15.2-1724, 15.2-1726, and 15.2-1736 authorize localities to assist each other and to enter into reciprocal agreements for cooperation and to furnish certain law enforcement services; and

WHEREAS, the CITY OF PETERSBURG and the CITY OF RICHMOND have determined that the provision of law enforcement aid across jurisdictional lines will increase the ability to preserve the safety and welfare of the entire area; and

WHEREAS, it is deemed to be mutually beneficial to each jurisdiction to enter into an agreement concerning mutual aid with regard to law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, the parties desire that the terms and conditions of Law Enforcement Mutual Aid be established.

WITNESSETH

That for and in consideration of the mutual benefits to be derived by the CITY OF PETERSBURG and the CITY OF RICHMOND from a Law Enforcement Mutual Aid Agreement ("Agreement"), the CITY OF PETERSBURG and the CITY OF RICHMOND covenant and each agree with the other, pursuant to proper resolution approved by each jurisdiction, as follows:

## LAW ENFORCEMENT MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT

1. The parties will endeavor to provide reciprocal law enforcement support within the capabilities available at the time the request is made and within the terms of this Agreement.
2. No party to this Agreement shall be liable to the other party for any loss, damage, personal injury, or death to law enforcement personnel or equipment resulting from the performance of this Agreement, whether such occurs within or outside the jurisdictional boundaries of the parties, nor for expenses arising out of assistance provided pursuant to this Agreement, unless otherwise mutually agreed upon by the parties.
3. Requests for assistance pursuant to the terms and conditions of this Agreement shall be made to and authorized by the Chief of Police from whom assistance is sought or, in his or her absence or incapacitation, any member of his or her command staff. Such requests may be made in person or by electronic means, provided that the identity of the requestor is verified if electronic means are used.
4. The personnel of the requested party shall report to and render assistance under the direction of the Chief of Police of the requesting jurisdiction, except that the ultimate control of the personnel of any party rendering assistance shall rest with the officers or supervisors of such personnel.
5. The parties shall be responsible for maintaining a radio communications system for use by the requested jurisdiction. Use of the Statewide Interdepartmental Radio System ("SIRS") or other region-wide communications channel or system as a link between the communications or dispatch centers of each jurisdiction shall constitute fulfillment of this requirement.
6. The services performed and expenditures made pursuant to this Agreement shall be deemed to be for public and governmental purposes and all immunities from liability enjoyed by the parties, their agents and employees within their respective jurisdictions shall extend to participation in rendering assistance pursuant to this Agreement. It is understood that for the

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purpose of this Agreement, the personnel of the responding parties are rendering aid once they have entered the jurisdictional boundaries of the party receiving assistance.

7. Officers responding to this Agreement shall have all necessary authority to enforce the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and to perform the other duties of a law enforcement officer. Such authority and all actions pursuant to this Agreement shall be in conformance with the Code of Virginia §§ 15.2-1724, 15.2-1726, and 15.2-1736, including future amendments, and all other applicable laws and regulations.
8. This Agreement repeals and supersedes all previous written Agreements or oral understandings relating to the provision of reciprocal law enforcement services. This Agreement represents the sole document regulating the provision of reciprocal law enforcement services between the parties.
9. This Agreement shall be effective from the date of execution, until terminated by either party by its chief administrator, giving thirty (30) days prior written notice of termination to the other party.
10. Any notice required by this Agreement shall be deemed effective if given by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, or by other receipted delivery, to the other party at their regular address of record.


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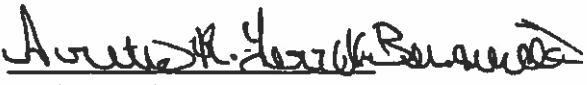



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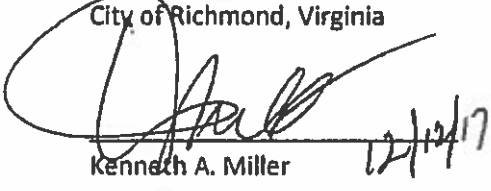
The signatures of the parties are set out below in acknowledgement of this Agreement:

SEEN AND AGREED:


  
Selena Cuffee-Glenn  
Chief Administrative Officer  
City of Richmond, Virginia

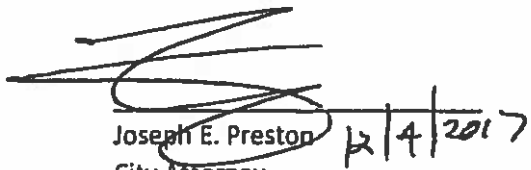
  
Aretha Ferrell-Benavides  
City Manager  
City of Petersburg, Virginia

  
Col. Alfred Durham  
Chief of Police  
City of Richmond, Virginia

  
Kenneth A. Miller  
Chief of Police  
City of Petersburg, Virginia

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
Haskell Brown  
City Attorney  
City of Richmond, Virginia

  
Joseph E. Preston  
City Attorney  
City of Petersburg, Virginia