

BILL NO. _____

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF COMMON PURPOSE TO RENEW THE
EASTERN JACKSON COUNTY SHARED SERVICE COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP.**

WHEREAS, communities today face increasing pressures to deliver quality services that meet and exceed citizen expectations with limited, finite resources; and,

WHEREAS, communities place high importance on the public they serve and the staff they depend upon, striving to support both the public and their teams using "best in class" technology, principles and practices; and,

WHEREAS, today's challenges often transcend municipal boundaries and include common pain points, including an increasing decline in the funding sources that have traditionally supported strong municipal services delivery; and,

WHEREAS, collaborative initiatives in the greater metropolitan region, such as the Regional 911 System, have historically resulted in optimal solutions that have enhanced service delivery through innovation and technology and have provided cost efficiencies through shared resources; and,

WHEREAS, on October 15, 2018, the Independence City Council approved Resolution No. 6376 to adopt a Statement of Common Purpose among the cities of Independence, Blue Springs and Lee's Summit, Missouri, emphasizing government innovation and collaborative problem solving for the purpose of exploring various cooperative initiatives among the cities with support by the Mid-America Regional Council; and,

WHEREAS, the partners have completed successful collaborative programs including supervisory training, employee exit interviews, fraud reporting hotline, and a federal grant for police mental health co-responders; and,

WHEREAS, the partners continue to meet regularly and continue to work on collaborative strategies to enhance municipal services delivery; and,

WHEREAS, the initial partnership established in 2018 envisioned that other local jurisdictions may be interested in participating in the exploration and implementation of various collaborative solutions, which would broaden the positive impact of these programs and further promote strategic government innovation in the region; and,

WHEREAS, the cities of Grandview and Raytown, Missouri, have formally joined the collaborative partnership.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE,
MISSOURI, AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. That the City Council does hereby resolve to continue their support and emphasizing government innovation and collaborative problem solving for the purpose of exploring various cooperative initiatives among the cities of Blue Springs, Grandview, Independence, Lee's Summit, and Raytown, Missouri with support by the Mid-America Regional Council, and does commit to supporting staff in these activities.

SECTION 2. That the City Council hereby directs the City Manager to assign the necessary

staff resources to collaborate with the administrative staff in the other partner cities to further develop shared services models for the mutual benefit of the cities involved and the region.

PASSED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022, BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INDEPENDENCE, MISSOURI.

Presiding Officer of the City Council
of the City of Independence, Missouri

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

City Counselor

REVIEWED BY:

City Manager

