



LEGISLATIVE MEMORANDUM

TO:	Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council
FROM:	Suzanne Sherman, City Manager
THRU:	Richard E. Stover, Fire Chief
DATE:	April 4, 2024
RE:	Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement and Resolution

SUMMARY:

The State of Florida is vulnerable to a wide range of disasters that are likely to cause the disruption of essential services and the destruction of the infrastructure needed to deliver those services. Such disasters are likely to exceed the capability of any one local government to cope with the emergency with existing resources. The Emergency Management Act, Chapter 252, provides each local government of the state the authority to develop and enter into mutual aid agreements within the state for reciprocal emergency aid and assistance in case of emergencies too extensive to be dealt with unassisted, and through such agreements to ensure the timely reimbursement of costs incurred by the local governments which render such assistance. Included in this agreement shall be: The Department of Fire Rescue, Police Department, Public Works Department, Building Department and Utilities Department.

REQUESTING DEPARTMENTS:

Fire

FISCAL IMPACT:

Unknown at this time – Contingent upon mutual aid assistance provided or received.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Motion to approve the agreement and Resolution, authorizing the execution of the Florida Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement (SMAA) with Florida Division of Emergency Management, to provide reciprocal emergency aid and assistance of a disaster or emergency.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement, and Resolution