

COUNCIL COMMUNICATION

From: The City Manager

Subject: Burton Police Department Mutual Aid Agreement

Manager's Recommendation:

I recommend that the Mutual Aid Agreement between the Burton Police Department and the Saginaw Police Department be approved. This Agreement has been approved by me as to substance and by the City Attorney as to form.

Justification:

Pursuant to the Mutual Police Assistance Agreements Act, municipalities may request assistance from other local units of government if there is an emergency. The general purpose of the act is for local law enforcement agencies to render mutual aid and protection to communities where an emergency exists and/or aid is requested. Communities may participate in such an agreement by submitting an application to the Police Chief's Association of Saginaw County.

An emergency constitutes a combination of circumstances requiring immediate action, which requires additional manpower or equipment to that available to the requesting community at the time of the emergency. The terms of the Agreement state that upon determination and declaring that an emergency exists, the highest ranking police officer on duty at the time of the emergency request, may make available to the requesting community, police officers, unsworn employees and equipment as are available to meet the needs of the emergency. Cost of equipment used while giving assistance will be borne by the community owning the equipment.

Council Action:

Council _____ moved that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved.