

RESOLUTION NO. 438

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A POLICY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO OTHER COUNTIES, CITIES, AND TOWNSHIPS DURING DISASTERS, PURSUANT TO K.S.A. 12-16-117.

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus has facilities, equipment and personnel capable of providing assistance in the event of a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus desires to render assistance that may be appropriate to other counties, cities, and townships in the event of a disaster.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, KANSAS that in the event of a disaster, if there is a request for assistance by another county, city, or township, within or without the State of Kansas, and if the City of Columbus, Kansas can provide assistance without unduly jeopardizing the protection of its own community, that this resolution hereby authorizes providing, under the authority of K.S.A. 12-16-117 with all privileges and immunities provided therein, such assistance as may be required.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED this resolution authorizes, in the event of a disaster, the Mayor or his/her designee to immediately render such assistance as may be required, provided that, as soon as practical the Governing Body shall meet and shall vote upon any continuing or additional assistance, and provided further that no actions by the Mayor or his/her designee, or by the Governing Body, shall conflict with any local or inter-jurisdictional disaster plan adopted by Cherokee County pursuant to K.S.A. 48-901 et.seq., and amendments thereto.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED nothing in this resolution is intended to conflict with or circumvent any existing inter-local agreement, and automatic aid, intergovernmental or mutual aid agreement or any authority of the City of Columbus to enter into any such agreement in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED it is the intent of this resolution to authorize providing assistance in any form, including, but to limited to police, fire, emergency management services, public works, administrative and clerical up on the occurrence of the imminent threat of widespread or severe damage, injury or loss of lives or property resulting from any natural or man-made cause, including but not limited to, fire flood, earthquake, wind, storm, epidemics, air contamination, blight drought, infestation, explosion, or riot.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Governing Body this 19th day of March 2012.


Marie Nepple, Mayor

Attest:

Janice Blancett, City Clerk
(SEAL)