

## **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Kelvin C. Washington - Chief of Police

June 28, 2018

Chief Jerry Thompson Hartsville Police Department 100 Carolina Avenue Hartsville, SC 29550

Dear Chief Thompson,

In an effort to continue our long time cooperation between our jurisdictions, we have prepared a new inter-agency agreement for 2018.

We have enclosed two signed copies of the agreement. Please sign both copies and return one of them to us. Also, enclosed, you will find a copy of our Resolution which was passed on June 5, 2018, specifically approving these agreements. Please enclose a copy of your resolution when you mail the agreement back to us. Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 843-260-5173.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelvin Washington Chief of Police

City of Darlington, SC

A RESOLUTION APPROVING MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY THE DARLINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT WITH SURROUNDING LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPROVE AND SIGN MATERIALLY EQUIVALENT AGREEMENTS ENTERED INTO BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT IN THE FUTURE.

WHEREAS, the City of Darlington approved multi-jurisdictional agreements entered into by the Darlington Police Department with surrounding law enforcement agencies and authorized the city manager to approve and sign materially equivalent agreements entered into by the police department in the future.

WHEREAS, at the conclusion of the 2016 Legislative Session in Columbia, the legislature adopted Bill No. 222 which amended Chapter 20 of Title 23 of the SC Code of Laws, and while this amendment did not change the law applicable to the process required for the City Police Department to enter into multi-jurisdictional agreements with other law enforcement agencies, it did repeal several code sections.

WHEREAS, Section 23-20-30 of the South Carolina Code of Laws specifically authorizes law enforcement agencies to enter into contractual agreements with other law enforcement providers.

WHEREAS, Section 23-20-40 of the South Carolina Code of Laws sets out required contractual provisions for such contracts between law enforcement providers, and, in subparagraph C requires that all such agreements and contracts between law enforcement providers be approved by the governing body of municipalities.

WHEREAS, the police department for the City of Darlington, in recognition of the need to promote public safety through the careful coordination with law enforcement agencies throughout the areas surrounding the City of Darlington, has developed a standard form for multi-jurisdictional agreements and, using the "Darlington Form", has entered into and is in the process of entering into contractual agreements with law enforcement providers throughout our area which are proper and prudent in the exercise of public safety functions:

WHEREAS, in addition to said agreements utilizing the "Darlington Form", the police department for the City of Darlington has, at the request of other jurisdictions, also entered into several contractual agreements with law enforcement providers in our area which are proper and prudent in the exercise of public safety functions utilizing forms similar to but somewhat different from the "Darlington Form" discussed above.

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Darlington, South Carolina, having reviewed all of the agreements referenced herein, concludes that the agreements are in the best interest of the citizens of the City of Darlington and the citizens of the surrounding areas, and that these agreements will promote public safety and are needed to maintain the public peace and welfare.

## **Agreements with Sheriffs**

To be named

## **Agreements with Police Departments**

To be named

2. Furthermore, we hereby specifically authorize the City Manager of the City of Darlington to approve and execute materially equivalent multi-jurisdictional agreements entered into by the City of Darlington Police Department in the future without the need to obtain Council authorization.

AND IT IS SO RESOLVED THIS THE DAY OF June, 2018.

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

KEVIN R. ETHERIDGE

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**City Attorney** 

GLORIA C. HINES

Mayor

ATTEST:

GLORIA PRIDGEN Municipal Clerk