

AN ORDINANCE

TO AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF GREER FOR THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES TO GREER FIRE SERVICE AREA; AND OTHER MATER RELATED THERETO.

BE IT ORDAINED by the County Council of Greenville County:

Section 1. **Findings.** Greenville County Council finds that the County is authorized by Chapters 19, and 21 of Title 4 of the 1976 South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, to provide fire protection services in certain unincorporated areas of the County. The County Council finds that under Article 8, Section 13 of the South Carolina Constitution, the County may agree with any other political subdivision for the joint administration of any function and exercise of powers. The County Council finds that it has previously established the Greer Fire Service Area (hereinafter "Fire Service Area") pursuant to Greenville County Ordinance Number 1267 (as amended) and is desirous of continuing its arrangement with the City of Greer for furnishing fire protection services to the Fire Service Area, including fire suppression, first responder, commercial inspections, residential inspections, and arson investigations.

Section 2. **Contract with the City of Greer.** The Chairman of County Council and the County Administrator are hereby authorized and directed to execute an agreement with the City of Greer for the purpose of continuing the provision of fire protection, fire suppression, first responder, fire code inspections, arson investigations and other fire services to the Greer Fire Service Area. A copy of the current Agreement for the Provision of Fire Protection and First Responder Services is attached hereto as *Exhibit A*.

Section 3. **Term.** The Agreement authorized in Section 2 above shall commence upon its execution, shall be in effect and may be terminated pursuant to the terms set forth therein.

Section 4. **Severability.** Severability is intended throughout and within the provisions of this Ordinance. If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this Ordinance is held to be invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, then that decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Ordinance.

Section 5. **Repeal.** All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance, or inconsistent with its provisions, are hereby repealed or superseded to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

Section 6. **Effective Date.** This ordinance shall take effect upon adoption.

DONE IN REGULAR MEETING THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2013.

Bob Taylor, Chairman
Greenville County Council

ATTEST:

Theresa B. Kizer
Clerk to Council

Joseph Kernell
County Administrator