

MERCER COUNTY/CITY OF CELINA COUNTY AMBULANCE SERVICE (EMS) AGREEMENT

This agreement made and concluded at Celina, Ohio, on the ____ day of _____, 20____, by and between the County of Mercer, acting through the Board of County Commissioners, hereinafter referred to as the "COUNTY", and the City of Celina, acting through its Mayor and Safety-Service Director, hereinafter referred to as the "CITY",

Witnesseth:

WHEREAS, the CITY provides ambulance service to the residents of the CITY; and

WHEREAS, the CITY desires to also provide ambulance service to the residents of the COUNTY; and

WHEREAS, to that end, it has been ordained by the Council of the CITY that the CITY contract with the COUNTY for ambulance service, pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 735.053; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY also has a COUNTY Ambulance Service and, therefore, is able and desires to provide the CITY with ambulance service; and

WHEREAS, to that end, it has been resolved by the Board of County Commissioners that the COUNTY contract with the CITY to provide ambulance service pursuant to Ohio Revised Code, Section 307.05.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the promises and covenants and agreements herein set forth, the parties hereto agree as to follows:

1. The COUNTY agrees to provide ambulance service to the CITY and its residents for a period of thirty-six (36) months beginning the January 1, 2024, and ending December 31, 2026, at 12:00 midnight. Said service shall be known as the Celina Branch of the County Ambulance Service.
2. The COUNTY agrees that said ambulance service will be provided through a Coordinator who, in conjunction with the Chief of the Celina Fire Department, will be in charge of the overall operation of providing ambulance service to the CITY. The Coordinator will be appointed by, and under the direction of, the Board of County Commissioners, and the CITY shall operate its Celina Branch under the joint discretion of the Coordinator and Fire Chief who, together, will have full power and authority to designate the response area of the Celina Branch. All Personnel of the City Fire Department will be under the direction of the City through the Fire Chief, including all related personnel matters.
3. The CITY agrees to pay the COUNTY for said ambulance service provided during the term of this agreement on or before the 1st of April each year, the sum

of Twenty-Six Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$26,000.00). (10,400 @ \$2.50 per capita = \$26,000). Said amount represents the CITY's share of the operational expense of the County Ambulance Service. The CITY further agrees to pay, in addition to such share, its pro rata share for any actual loss sustained during the term of this agreement, which pro rata share shall be determined by dividing the CITY's share of the operational expenses of the County Ambulance Service as stated above by the total operational expenses of said County Ambulance Service.

4. The CITY shall provide suitable housing space for two (2) ambulances owned by the COUNTY which are used in connection with the County Ambulance Service, which is stationed in the CITY of Celina for which the COUNTY shall pay rent and utilities in accordance with paragraph 8, Item D and E, hereof. The county will provide suitable housing for two additional ambulances that are currently housed in the County Building.
5. The CITY agrees to see that all ambulance personnel are trained in accordance with state regulations when obtaining their EMS certification, including any refresher training required to maintain their present status. Cost of EMS certification training, refresher training, including special training, which shall include only the costs of instructor's fees, manual, workbooks, and special equipment needed for said training, and registration fees for said training, shall be paid by the CITY in accordance with its personnel rules. COUNTY promises and agrees to reimburse the CITY, through the County Ambulance Service, for said cost in accordance with Paragraph 8, Item F, hereof. Any City firefighter obtaining their EMT, Advanced EMT or Paramedic certification shall sign an agreement with the county.
6. The CITY agrees to see that all equipment in its possession that is owned and/or operated by the Ambulance Service is properly maintained. The costs of this maintenance are the responsibility of County Ambulance Service and for which the County Ambulance Service agrees to pay. If necessary, the CITY, upon presentation of proper itemized receipts to the Ambulance Service, would receive reimbursement for Coordinator approved maintenance items purchased, or acquired, directly by the CITY.
7. The CITY and COUNTY agree to be bound by the jurisdictional boundaries as set forth in the "EMS District Map" which is currently on file in the Mercer County Tax Map Office, as amended from time to time, the current version of which is attached hereto and labeled as **Exhibit "A"** and which is fully-incorporated by reference.
8. The COUNTY agrees to pay and/or reimburse the CITY for the following items:
 - A. The base fee for three (3) firefighter /paramedics in the following yearly amounts, which represents the CITY's Fire Department's top step/pay-grade

lieutenant, as well as the CITY's Fire Department's two (2) highest step/pay-grade firefighters, excluding the pensions of these three firefighters/paramedics, as further set forth in the attached "Pay Breakdown" which is attached hereto as **Exhibit "B"**, as well as the "Mercer County Ambulance Service Contract Summary" which is attached hereto as **Exhibit "C"**, both of which are fully-incorporated herein by reference:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
2024	\$279,000
2025	\$289,000
2026	\$299,000

- B. The premium pay of all the remaining City certified firefighter/paramedics, excluding the three (3) firefighter/paramedics in paragraph 8A, will be paid at the following yearly rates per week per certified paramedic.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Fee per certified Firefighter/Paramedic employed</u>
2024	\$ 41.00 week/per certificate
2025	\$ 42.00 week/per certificate
2026	\$ 42.00 week/per certificate

- C. Meal expenses of firefighter/paramedics connected with providing ambulance service only up to a maximum of fifteen and no/100 (\$15.00) dollars per meal, provided said meal expenses are approved by the Fire Chief and the Coordinator. All such reimbursements for meals and or ancillary expenses may be taxable and in accordance with IRS Fringe Benefits Guidelines.
- D. Rent in the sum of three hundred and no/100 (\$300.00) dollars per month per ambulance for ambulances housed by the CITY in accordance with paragraph 4, hereof.
- E. Utilities of Two Hundred and no/100 Dollars (\$200.00) per month in accordance with paragraph 4, hereof.
- F. Upon receipt of a proper itemized request, reimbursement to the CITY for the cost of training, including special training, which shall include only the costs of instructor's fees, manuals, workbooks, and special equipment needed for said training, and registration fees for said training, of all ambulance personnel, as stated in paragraph 5, hereof.
- G. The COUNTY agrees to reimburse the CITY for overtime cost for station manning when handling primary runs for other branches of the Mercer County Ambulance Service, when a patient is transported. Primary run is defined as lack of personnel to respond to the call. Mutual Aid does not apply.

H. All vaccinations for CITY firefighters/paramedics pursuant to the applicable Federal Regulations, as amended from time to time, except the flu vaccination. The CITY will cover the Full-Time Firefighters cost and the COUNTY will cover the Auxiliary Firefighters cost for the flu vaccination.

I. The sum of Two Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$2,400) by March 01, of each year, for the cost of pagers and maintenance of CITY Fire Department pagers.

J. The County agrees to reimburse the CITY for any cost associated with providing EMS coats for CITY firefighters.

All of the above payments shall be made through the County Ambulance Service upon submission of a proper itemized request, to which bills and/or invoices shall be attached. The CITY shall make said requests to the COUNTY, through the County Ambulance Service between the first and the tenth of each month.

9. The parties agree to open negotiations to change this agreement prior to its expiration. The party requesting the change will notify the other in writing with a statement identifying the need for the change.

10. The parties agree to pass all appropriate resolutions and/or ordinances to do all things necessary and proper to authorize and/or ratify this contract and to carry out the terms of this agreement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Ambulance Service Contract was executed in duplicate at Celina, Ohio, this _____ day of _____, 20__.

CITY OF CELINA

By: _____
Jeffrey S. Hazel, Mayor

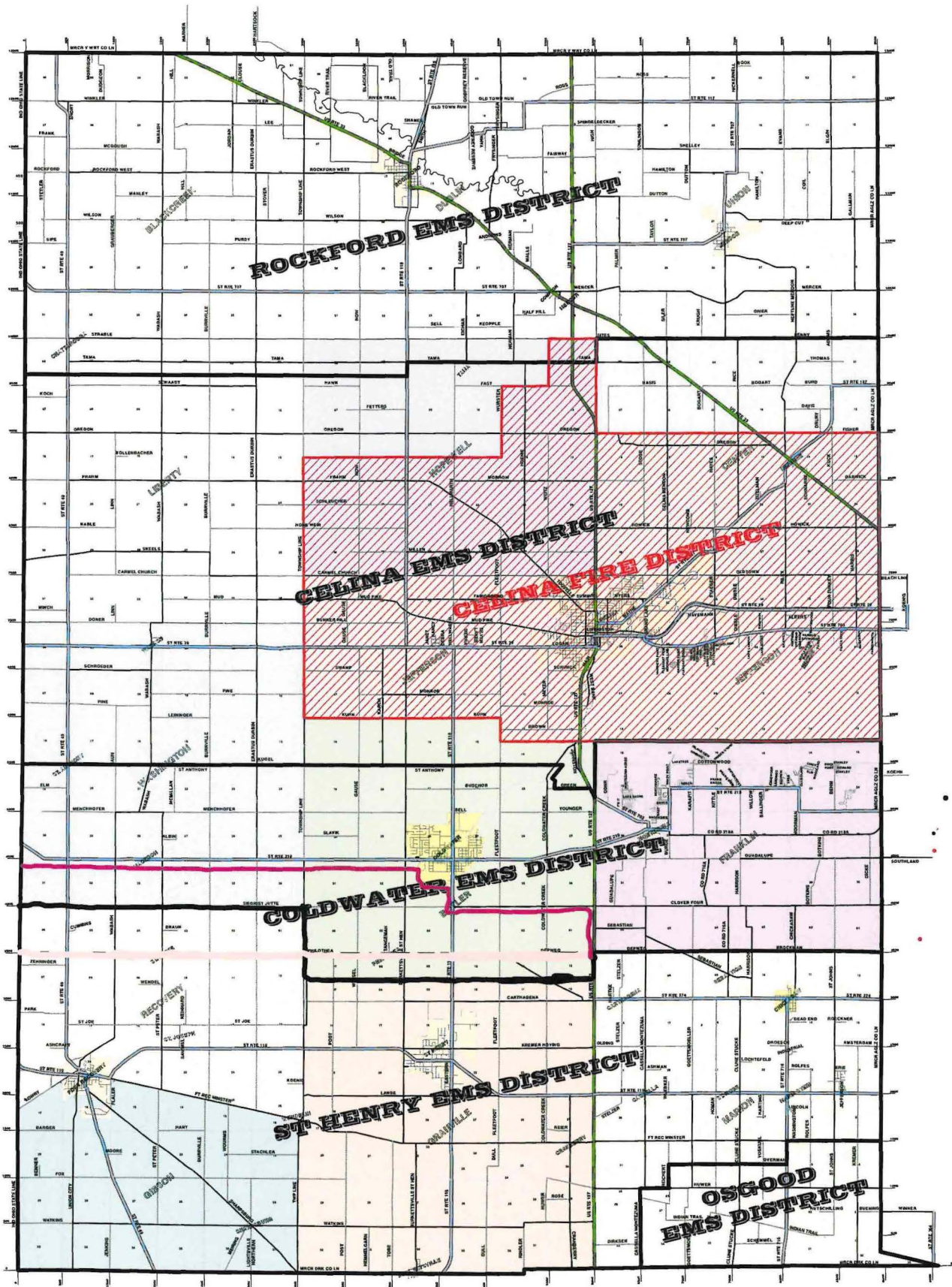
By: _____
Thomas J. Hitchcock,
Safety-Service Director

COUNTY OF MERCER

By: _____
Jerry Laffin, Commissioner

By: _____
Rick Muhlenkamp, Commissioner

By: _____
Dave Buschur, Commissioner



MERCER COUNTY EMS DISTRICT MAP

DRAWN BY: CRH 12/09/13

SCALE: 1" = 4,800'

EMS Agreement
Exhibit B

<u>Top Firefighter</u>	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
Salary Reg	\$63,627.20	\$66,617.20	\$69,756.70	21.28	22.28	23.33
Medicare & Workers Comp	\$2,093.33	\$2,264.98	\$2,448.46	3.29	3.4	3.51
	<u>\$65,720.53</u>	<u>\$68,882.18</u>	<u>\$72,205.16</u>			
<u>Top Firefighter</u>	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
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<u>Top Lieutenant</u>	2024	2025	2026	2024	2025	2026
Salary	\$71,102.20	\$74,451.00	\$77,979.20	23.78	24.9	26.08
Medicare & Workers Comp	\$2,339.26	\$2,531.33	\$2,737.07	3.29	3.4	3.51
	<u>\$73,441.46</u>	<u>\$76,982.33</u>	<u>\$80,716.27</u>			
<u>TOTAL WAGES</u>	<u>\$204,882.52</u>	<u>\$214,746.69</u>	<u>\$225,126.59</u>			
<u>+INSURANCE</u>	<u>\$73,920.00</u>	<u>\$73,920.00</u>	<u>\$73,920.00</u>			
Total	\$278,802.52	\$288,666.69	\$299,046.59			

EMS Agreement
Exhibit C

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