

A RESOLUTION NO. 22-19

Authorizing the City Manager to execute the Mutual Aid Agreement for the City of Colonial Heights to become a Member Utility in the Virginia Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network.

WHEREAS, the National Infrastructure Protection Plan, and in particular the Sector Specific Plan for the Water Sector developed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, identifies the development of a Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network in each State as an important means of helping to ensure resilient water and wastewater infrastructure in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, in furtherance of such national Water Sector plan, Virginia's longstanding, nationally-recognized professional associations known as the Virginia Section of the American Water Works Association ("VA AWWA") and the Virginia Water Environment Association ("VWEA") have jointly formed the Virginia Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network ("VA WARN") Committee to develop the EPA-recommended network and associated procedures for implementation in Virginia; and

WHEREAS, the VA WARN Committee has developed the attached VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement for use by public and private Water Sector utilities for purposes of requesting assistance and responding to such requests as well as an Event Agreement for providing assistance on defined terms and conditions; and

WHEREAS, this VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement is intended to supplement the Statewide Mutual Aid Program administered by the Virginia Department of Emergency Management; the Emergency Management Assistance Compact; and other mutual aid agreements of local, intrastate and interstate scope; and

WHEREAS, the City of Colonial Heights owns or operates water and wastewater facilities, is responsible for public water supply or wastewater management in the Commonwealth of

Virginia, and is therefore eligible to participate in VA WARN and the VA WARN Mutual Aid Agreement. NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF COLONIAL HEIGHTS:

1. The Council approves the Virginia Water and Wastewater Agency Response Network Mutual Aid Agreement; and the City Manager is authorized to execute the Agreement, a copy of which is attached to and made a part of the resolution.
2. This resolution shall be in full force and effect upon approval on May 24, 2022.

Approved:

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk

I certify that the above resolution was:

Adopted on _____.

Ayes: _____. Nays: _____. Absent: _____. Abstain: _____.

The Honorable Kenneth B. Frenier, Councilman: _____

The Honorable John E. Piotrowski, Councilman: _____

The Honorable Dr. Laura F. Poe, Councilwoman: _____

The Honorable Robert W. Wade, Councilman: _____

The Honorable John T. Wood, Councilman: _____

The Honorable Elizabeth G. Luck, Vice-Mayor: _____

The Honorable T. Gregory Kochuba, Mayor: _____

Approved as to form:

City Clerk

City Attorney