

RESOLUTION NO. 25-R-67

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH
THE JOINT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JEMS)**

WHEREAS, the City of Rolling Meadows (“City”) is a member of the Joint Emergency Management System (“JEMS”), an intergovernmental agency which provides for regional, shared Emergency Management services; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the City’s home rule authority and state statute, the City and the JEMS may enter into intergovernmental agreements under the authorities provided by the Illinois Intergovernmental Cooperation Act and the Illinois Emergency Management Agency Act; and

WHEREAS, the JEMS Board of Directors has approved an update to the Intergovernmental Agreement (“IGA”) governing the operations and structure of JEMS; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the JEMS IGA update is to amend the governance structure and to provide greater organizational flexibility for JEMS; and

WHEREAS, the City has found its membership in JEMS to be beneficial and helps to ensure the City’s emergency preparedness and readiness for all hazards; and

WHEREAS, continued participation in JEMS and approval of the updated JEMS IGA are in the best interest of the City and the public safety of the community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROLLING MEADOWS, ILLINOIS, as follows;

Section 1. Recitals. The recitals set forth above are hereby incorporated into and made a part of this Resolution as though set forth in this Section 1.

Section 2. Approval. The Mayor and City Council hereby authorize the Intergovernmental Agreement, attached to this Resolution as Exhibit A, with the Joint Emergency Management System and hereby authorize and direct the City Manager to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement and all necessary documentation related thereto.

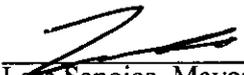
Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after its approval in the manner provided by law.

AYES: Boucher, Reyez, Koehler, McHale, Budmats, O'Brien

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: Vinezeano

Passed and approved this 22nd Day of July, 2025.



Lara Sanoica, Mayor

ATTEST:



Judith Brose, Deputy City Clerk

EXHIBIT A

JOINT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JEMS)
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT

**JOINT EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (JEMS)
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT**

The undersigned Participating Municipalities agree, pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Illinois, 1970, Article VII, Section 10, the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/1 et seq.), and the Emergency Management Act (20 ILCS 3305/1 et seq.) as follows:

Recitals

WHEREAS, the Participating Municipalities, as defined herein, each have emergency management responsibilities, including preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts and programs, which can be enhanced through regional collaboration; and

WHEREAS, the Participating Municipalities seek to enhance regional emergency management capabilities by establishing a Joint Emergency Management System (JEMS) that will serve as a collaborative entity to coordinate emergency preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery efforts and programs.

WHEREAS, JEMS will provide coordinated emergency management planning, training, resource and response support for the Participating Municipalities in accordance with federal, state, and local laws and guidelines.

Agreement

1. Participating Municipalities

The Participating Municipalities of this IGA are: Arlington Heights, Barrington, Buffalo Grove, Elk Grove Village, Hoffman Estates, Inverness, Mount Prospect, Palatine, Prospect Heights, Rolling Meadows, Schaumburg, Streamwood, and Wheeling. Additional municipalities may join JEMS if invited by the JEMS Board of Directors pursuant to the procedures outlined in the JEMS Bylaws, by adopting this Agreement.

2. Formation and Purpose

The Participating Municipalities share a common interest in combining resources for regional emergency management, building community-wide emergency management capabilities, and providing emergency management training, and hereby form the Joint Emergency Management System ("JEMS"), an intergovernmental agency, to coordinate their common interests and share costs and expenses related to those common interests.

3. Effective Date

This IGA will go into effect on January 1, 2026.

4. Governance and JEMS Bylaws

A. JEMS shall be governed by a Board of Directors ("JEMS Board"), whose powers

and responsibilities will be enumerated in JEMS Bylaws.

- B. Each Participating Municipality expressly agrees to appoint its chief appointed official to the JEMS Board.
- C. The Participating Municipalities agree that, within sixty (60) days of the Effective Date of this IGA, the JEMS Board will adopt Bylaws governing JEMS and its Board (“JEMS Bylaws”).
- D. Each Participating Municipality will have one vote on the JEMS Board, subject to revision by the JEMS Bylaws.
- E. The Participating Municipalities agree that the JEMS Bylaws will create JEMS Board Officers, including a Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary and Treasurer.
- F. The Participating Municipalities agree to abide by the JEMS Bylaws for the duration of this IGA.
- G. It is the intention of the Participating Municipalities that the JEMS Board has the authority to enter into contracts and hire, supervise, discipline, and otherwise control employees of JEMS.

5. Invoicing and Payment

- A. Each Participating Municipality agrees to pay all fees and other costs as may be assessed by the JEMS Board. All payments shall be made on or before the due date set by the JEMS Board.
- B. Each Participating Municipality understands and agrees that non-payment of fees and other costs is a material breach of this IGA and is grounds for withholding the services provided by JEMS.

6. Duty to Cooperate

The Parties understand that this IGA is an intergovernmental agreement. Accordingly, all Participating Municipalities agree to cooperate in all respects in the provision and receipt of services hereunder, including but not limited to the management of JEMS, the record keeping requirements of JEMS, the staffing of JEMS, and the costs and payment obligations of JEMS.

7. Notices

All notices required to be given under this IGA shall be given by hand delivery, First Class U.S. Mail or national overnight courier to the addresses below:

If to the JEMS Board:	Director Northwest Central Joint Emergency Management System 1975 East Davis Street
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Arlington Heights IL 60005

If to a Participating Municipality: *Addresses listed below.*

8. Governing Law and Venue

This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of Illinois. Jurisdiction over the parties and the venue for all disputes under this IGA or the JEMS Bylaws shall be in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois.

9. Amendments and Waivers

Except for a duly adopted amendment to the JEMS Bylaws, this IGA may not be amended, modified or waived in any respect except by written agreement duly and validly authorized, executed and delivered by all of the Parties hereto.

10. Authority of Signatories

The individual signing on behalf of the Participating Municipality warrants that he/she/they have all due authority to execute this IGA and that Participating Municipality's governing board has taken all necessary steps to so authorize this IGA.

11. Severability

The many terms and provisions of this IGA are severable. Should any court of competent jurisdiction for any reason declare any portion of this IGA unenforceable, those provisions remaining shall continue in full force and effect for the full term as provided herein.

12. Counterparts

This IGA may be executed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same IGA. Executed facsimile and electronic copies shall have the same force and effect as the original.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Participating Municipalities have each caused this Agreement to be executed by duly authorized officers thereof as of the date and year written below.

Village of Arlington Heights

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Barrington

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Buffalo Grove

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Elk Grove Village

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Hoffman Estates

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Inverness

By Its: _____

Date: _____

Address: _____

Village of Mount Prospect

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Date:

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Village of Palatine

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City of Prospect Heights

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Village of Schaumburg

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Village of Streamwood

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Village of Wheeling

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