

CITY OF CHARLOTTESVILLE, VIRGINIA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA



Agenda Date:	November 21, 2022
Action Required:	Approval of Appointment of Emergency Management Coordinator
Presenter:	Michael Rogers, City Manager
Staff Contacts:	Samuel Sanders, Jr., Deputy City Manager
Title:	Approving the Appointment of an Emergency Management Coordinator (1 reading)

Background

Virginia Code Section 44-146.19 requires each locality to have a Director of Emergency Management (DEM). The City Manager serves as the DEM for the City of Charlottesville. The DEM is required to appoint a *coordinator* of emergency management, and state law requires this appointment to be with the consent of City Council. Since there currently exists no local ordinance addressing this appointment, or delegating to the City Manager ongoing authority to make the appointment, City Council is required to take action to ratify and consent to the appointment.

Discussion

At the City Council meeting on November 21, 2022, Deputy City Manager Sam Sanders will provide an introduction of the individual recently appointed by the City Manager to serve as the City's Coordinator of Emergency Management. The individual who has been appointed to this position will serve as the City's first full-time Coordinator of Emergency Management.

Alignment with City Council's Vision and Strategic Plan

Community Engagement

n/a

Budgetary Impact

The development of a budget to support this function is underway and will be included in the FY24 budget proposal. In the interim, the individual's salary is covered in the current year budget (as the individual was already a City Employee); however, council will be asked to consider allocating surplus funds from FY22 to cover the expenditures associated with the trainings and other duties to be performed by the Coordinator.

Recommendation

Adoption of Resolution Consenting to the Appointment

Alternatives

Virginia Code Sec. 44-146.19 specifies that for a city, the Director of Emergency Management "shall" appoint a coordinator of emergency management.

Attachments

1. RESOLUTION Consent to Coordinator