



## Board of Aldermen Request for Action

**MEETING DATE:** 1/17/2023

**DEPARTMENT:** Police Department

**AGENDA ITEM:** Resolution 1165, A Contract Agreement with Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline

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**REQUESTED BOARD ACTION:**

Motion to Approve Resolution 1165, authorizing the Mayor to sign a Contract Agreement with the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission for the Metro Crime Stoppers Program and the TIPS Hotline Program.

**SUMMARY:**

Approval of this item will continue the City's support of the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission. The TIPS Hotline enables the Smithville Police Department to use every available resource in obtaining information needed to solve crimes in our community. The TIPS Hotline has taken over service of our anonymous tips in the school district as well. During 2020 the Police Department received eleven anonymous tips through the TIPS Hotline. These TIPS included underage drinking, drug activity, burglary, assault, weapons violation, and homicide.

**PREVIOUS ACTION:**

The City of Smithville has partnered with Crime Stoppers for more than 20 years.

**POLICY ISSUE:**

N/A

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Funds were allocated in the FY 23 budget.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolution    | <input type="checkbox"/> Plans               |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Letter |  |

**RESOLUTION 1165**

**AN RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH THE KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN CRIME COMMISSION TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE CITY THROUGH PARTICIPATION IN THE TIPS HOTLINE PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Smithville Police Department can benefit by using the TIPS Hotline as an investigative and informational resource in solving crimes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline has an established and proven record in assisting law enforcement agencies in the apprehension of the criminals; and

**WHEREAS**, the Smithville Board of Alderman wishes to contract with the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission for the purposes of providing the TIPS Hotline service.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN OF THE CITY OF SMITHVILLE, MISSOURI:**

That the Mayor is hereby authorized and directed to execute the attached contract agreement with the Kansas City Crime Commission for the purpose of providing the services previously described and further detailed in the attached agreement.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Board of Aldermen and **APPROVED** by the Mayor of the City of Smithville, Missouri, the 17<sup>th</sup> day of January 2023.

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Damien Boley, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda Drummond, City Clerk



The Kansas City Metropolitan  
Crime Commission

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January 2, 2023

Chief Jason Lockridge  
City of Smithville  
107 West Main  
Smithville, MO 64089

Dear Chief Jason Lockridge:

Thank you for being a loyal supporter of Crime Stoppers. Without your support Crime Stoppers, would not exist. Your support and partnership are very important to us, and we know **you are one of the reason's the TIPS Hotline is successful.**

- Crime Stoppers has received more than 166,828 TIPS leading to over 11,000 arrests through November 2022.

In cooperation with the Kansas City, Missouri Police Department and the City of Kansas City, Missouri, Crime Stoppers introduced enhanced rewards of "up to \$25,000.00" for KCMO homicides in June of 2019. Since then, 24 KCMO homicides have been solved taking our program total to 673 homicides solved since inception.

- Kansas City's Most Wanted Newspaper publishes 50+ local fugitives, giving area departments and citizens easy access to the wanted fugitives' listings. There have been 592 arrests from the Kansas City's Most Wanted Newspaper since 2006.
- Scholastic Crime Stoppers has seen success in combating school-based issues including, nineteen (19) suicide interventions and the program is in over 70 schools in the metropolitan area.
- Visit the newly redesigned Crime Stoppers website "[www.kccrimestoppers.com](http://www.kccrimestoppers.com)" to view Unsolved Crimes, Wanted Suspects, Upcoming Events and more.

Like you, Crime Stoppers is passionate about fighting crime and making our communities safer. Thank you for being a Crime Fighter. Together we get hundreds of dangerous fugitives off our streets and out of our neighborhoods.

Sincerely,

Rick Armstrong  
President

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*Crime Stoppers is a division of the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission*

**CONTRACT**

This Contract is entered into this year, 2023, by and between the City of Smithville and the Kansas City Metropolitan Crime Commission a Missouri not-for-profit corporation located at 3100 Broadway, Suite #1234, Kansas City, Missouri 64111.

**WHEREAS**, the Crime Commission has run and continues to run a Crime Stoppers program promoting the 816-474-TIPS Hotline Program in the Greater Kansas City area, which includes Johnson and Wyandotte Counties in Kansas and Cass, Clay, Jackson, Lafayette, Platte and Ray Counties in Missouri.

**WHEREAS**, the City of Smithville wishes to contract with the Crime Commission to provide this service in Smithville, MO.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the parties agree as follows:

1. The City of Smithville will pay the Crime Commission an annual fee of \$275.00 dollars, payable on the date hereof and on each anniversary date of the date hereof during the term of this contract. Such annual fee may be adjusted each year as the parties hereto may agree.

2. The Crime Commission will provide its Crime Stoppers Program in Smithville which the program shall include, at a minimum, the following services:

- a) Maintain the Crime Stoppers Hotline, (currently 816-474-TIPS) which will be answered twenty-four hours per day;
- b) Provide publicity concerning the availability of the Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline;
- c) Provide rewards for information leading to the arrest, issuance of a warrant or indictment, which results from calls to the Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline;
- d) Forward information received on the Crime Stoppers TIPS Hotline regarding crimes in Smithville, MO.

3. The parties agree, that the services to be provided by the Crime Commission are being provided strictly on a contract basis and that the Crime Commission is not and shall not be considered a part of Smithville, MO or the City of Smithville. The Crime Commission shall not be subject to any control by Smithville, MO or the City of Smithville.

4. This contract shall be for an initial term of one year, commencing on the date hereof. Upon expiration of the initial term of this Contract, and upon expiration of each additional one year period thereafter, the term of this Contract shall be extended automatically for a period of one year, unless and until either party hereto gives written notice to the other party hereto of its intent not to extend the term of this Contract for an additional one year period.

5. This Contract shall not be assignable without the prior written consent of both parties. Any purported assignment without such written consent shall be void.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, the parties have executed this Contract the year and date first above written.

**Smithville, MO**

By \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

KANSAS CITY METROPOLITAN CRIME COMMISSION

By  \_\_\_\_\_  
Rick Armstrong

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_

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