

RESOLUTION 88-01

A Resolution authorizing the Police Department of the City of Belle Meade ("the City") to request emergency assistance from Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County ("Metro") and to respond to request for emergency assistance from Metro.

The purpose of this document is to establish the policy and procedures that will govern the City in the process of responding to requests for emergency assistance from Metro. Emergency assistance will not otherwise be requested or provided by the City.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. Definitions:

"Emergency assistance" as defined in the Local Government Emergency Assistance Act of 1987 shall mean law enforcement assistance requested by a local government in an emergency situation in which the resources of the requesting local government are not adequate to handle the emergency.

"Local government" shall mean the City and Metro, as indicated by the text.

"Requesting party" means a local government which requests emergency assistance.

"Responding party" means a local government which responds to a request for emergency assistance.

"Appropriate senior officer" shall mean the Chief of Police or the senior Police Officer on duty.

2. Requesting Assistance:

All requests for emergency assistance made on behalf of the City shall be made or authorized by the Chief of Police or the appropriate Senior Officer on duty. The City, through its appropriate Senior Officer in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Emergency Assistance Act of 1987, will be in full command of its emergency as to strategy, tactics, and overall

direction of the operation until relinquished to Metro under its concurrent jurisdiction.

3. Responding to a Request for Emergency Assistance:

The City will respond to calls from Metro for emergency assistance only upon request for such assistance made by the appropriate Senior Officer on duty for Metro. All requests for emergency assistance shall be made only to the Chief of Police or the appropriate Senior Officer on duty for the City.

Upon the receipt of a request for aid as provided for in the preceding paragraph the City is authorized to respond as follows:

- a. The City is authorized to provide at least one (1) police car and one (1) Police Officer.
- b. In no event will the City provide more than fifty percent (50%) of the officers and equipment available for duty to answer any request for emergency assistance. At all times, there shall be no less than one patrol car and one officer on duty within the City.

4. The City has no duty to respond to a request and will reject a request for emergency assistance or will depart from the scene of the emergency based upon the discretionary judgment of the appropriate Senior Officer in command at the scene of the emergency or the appropriate Senior Officer (department head) for that service for the City. In cases where two or more requests for emergency assistance are made at the same time, the appropriate Senior Officer of the City shall determine, based upon a reasonable appraisal of the emergencies of the requesting jurisdictions, how best to respond to the requests. The appropriate Senior Officer may determine to send all available resources to the jurisdiction with the most dire emergency, or may send some resources to each requesting jurisdiction.

5. The City shall not respond to request for emergency assistance outside the following geographical boundaries:
Beginning at the intersection of Post Road and White Bridge Road, East on White Bridge Road and Woodmont Boulevard to Estes Road thence South on Estes Road to Harding Place, North on Harding Place to Beacon Drive thence South on Beacon Drive to the intersection of Beacon Drive and Hemingway Drive, North on Hemingway Drive to Harpeth Hills Drive thence West on Harpeth Hills Drive to its intersection with Tyne Boulevard. Chickering and Page Roads out to Old Hickory Boulevard. Harding Road North to St. Thomas Hospital. East from the intersection of Page Road and Harding Road on Page Road and West Tyne Boulevard to Nichol Lane thence South on Nichol Lane to Belle Meade Boulevard. Highway 70 South to intersection with Old Harding Road. Highway 100 South to Tidwells Store. Chickering Lane to City Limit.
6. Emergency assistance responses will be made only after Metro shall have also adopted policies and procedures that govern their actions during request or responses for and to such assistance.

Adopted March 17, 1988.

Signed Elizabeth C. Proctor
Mayor

Attest:
Jean B. Corde
City Recorder