Mariemont Resident's Fire/EMS Committee Recommendations to Village Council

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The Mariemont Resident's Fire/EMS Committee ("Committee") accepts and supports the conclusions of the Kramer report. The Committee recommends that the Council accept the conclusions of the Kramer report.

The Committee <u>strongly</u> recommends that now – and in the future – any action by the Council to change the current operating model of the Mariemont Fire Department that involves an alternative service delivery be approved by a vote by the residents of Mariemont. Alternative service delivery shall be taken to mean contracting for shared Fire and EMS services with another agency that changes the local control and self-operation of the Mariemont Fire/EMS Department. It shall not preclude Mariemont from contracting for exchange of services in which the Mariemont Fire/EMS Department is the lead agency. The Committee recommends that the financial soundness and operational stability of the contracting entity be considered as an essential qualification of any potential partner agency.

The Committee recommends that an annual report on the performance and financial condition of the Fire/EMS Department be produced and made publicly available to the residents of Mariemont. The Committee also recommends that the Council monitor any disruption or warning signs of instability in the current Fire/EMS department staffing or operating model and that information be included in the annual report.

The Committee thanks Kramer and Associates for their analysis and findings and Mayor Brown and the Village Council of Mariemont for providing the opportunity to provide resident input and recommendations regarding the Mariemont Fire/EMS Department.

The Committee wishes to express its sincere respect and gratitude for the service, skills and dedication of Chief Hines, Assistant Chief Copeland, the Lieutenants, Firefighters, Paramedics and EMTs of the Mariemont Fire/EMS Department.

We appreciate the opportunity to serve our community and respectfully request that our recommendations be accepted by the Council.

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