



TO: Mayor & Council

FROM: Jane Whittington, City Clerk

RE: Workers Compensation Coverage for Reserve or Volunteer Marshals

DATE: October 3, 2025

The city's Workers Compensation policy does not currently cover the Reserve Marshals. The city will need the Mayor and Council to pass a resolution to be able to place these post certified volunteers on our policy. Workers' Compensation benefits do not automatically cover all volunteers. The Reserve Marshals volunteer ten hours per month which helps the city with manpower during needed periods of time and helps them facilitate continuance of their post certification. The workers' comp premium would increase approximately \$1080 annually for this coverage.

Additional questions or information regarding the Reserve Marshal program should be directed to Chief Smith or the City Manager.



**A RESOLUTION AUTHROIZING CERTIFIED VOLUNTEER POLICE OFFICERS OF
THE CITY OF SUGAR HILL TO BE COVERED UNDER WORKERS
COMPENSATION**

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of Sugar Hill, Georgia, and it is hereby resolved
by the authority of the same:

SECTION I: Certified Volunteer Police Officers shall be covered under the GMA
Workers Compensation Self-Insurance Fund while performing their duties on behalf of the city.

SECTION II: All Resolutions or parts of Resolution in conflict herewith are repealed.

CITY OF SUGAR HILL

So Resolved: October 13, 2025

Brandon Hembree, Mayor

Jan Whittington, City Clerk

EXTENSION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS

To Elected Officials, Volunteer Firefighters & Volunteer Police Officers

Workers' Compensation benefits do not extend to individuals doing volunteer work for cities. Nor are volunteer firefighters, volunteer police officers or elected officials automatically covered by Workers' Compensation. However, provided the City Council passes a resolution, Workers' Compensation benefits may be extended to volunteer firefighters, certified volunteer police officers and elected officials.

If it is the desire of your city to provide Workers' Compensation coverage for volunteer firefighters, certified volunteer police officers and/or elected officials, then your city must pass a resolution (see sample attached) and return it to us along with the other documents before coverage may be extended.

Please return to us a copy of your resolution or indicate on the accompanying page that your city declined to extend Workers' Compensation coverage to volunteer firefighters, certified volunteer police officers and/or elected city officials.

Please keep in mind that coverage is not automatically extended to these individuals until a resolution is received by the GMA Workers' Compensation Self-Insurance Fund.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION BENEFITS
FOR
VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTERS, VOLUNTEER CERTIFIED POLICE OFFICERS &
ELECTED OFFICIALS
THROUGH THE GMA WORKERS' COMPENSATION SELF-INSURANCE FUND

PLEASE CIRCLE YES TO THOSE STATEMENTS YOU WISH TO IMPLEMENT:

Our city wishes to provide workers' compensation benefits for:

Yes All Elected Officials

Yes Volunteer Firefighters

☒ Yes Volunteer Law Enforcement Officers Who Have Passed The Georgia
State Requirements For Police Training

Yes We Are Including A Copy Of The Resolution Indicating What The City
Council Wishes To Do

Please forward this notice along with copy of resolution to:

Stan Deese
Director, Risk Management Services
Georgia Municipal Association
PO Box 105377.
Atlanta, GA 30348

Signed by: _____

Title: _____

City: _____

Date: _____