

**CITY OF BUCKEYE
Regular Council Meeting
COUNCIL ACTION REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 01/20/26	AGENDA ITEM: 4.D. FD - IGA between AFMA, City of Avondale, City of Buckeye, City of El Mirage, City of Glendale, City of Goodyear, City of Peoria, City of Surprise, City of Tolleson, Daisy Mountain Fire & Medical District and Sun City Fire District for Use of Fire Apparatus.
DATE PREPARED: 01/20/26	DISTRICT NO.:
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DEPARTMENT: Fire	AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Consent Agenda Items / New Business

ACTION/MOTION: (This language identifies the formal motion to be made by the Council) Council to take action on Resolution No. 10-26 approving the West Valley Fire Apparatus Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Fire & Medical Authority, the City of Avondale, the City of El Mirage, the City of Glendale, the City of Goodyear, the City of Peoria, the City of Surprise, the City of Tolleson, the Daisy Mountain Fire and Medical District, and the Sun City Fire District; and authorizing the Mayor to execute and deliver said Agreement on behalf of the City.

SUMMARY

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The IGA requires borrowing agencies to use the loaned equipment for the sole purpose of fire prevention, fire fighting, and life-saving treatment and transportation. The borrowing agency must comply with all national, state, municipal, police and other laws, ordinances and regulations in any way relating to the possession, use or maintenance of the loaned equipment. The lending agency retains ownership/title to the loaned equipment and the borrowing agency will not have a right to possess the loaned equipment except as noted in the agreement.

The borrowing agency will not be responsible for damage caused from ordinary wear and tear, but must pay all applicable operating costs necessary for its use of the loaned equipment, and, will not alter, add, or allow any other party to alter or add to the loaned equipment in any way without prior written approval of the lending agency. Borrowing agency is responsible for picking up the loaned equipment from the lending agency's designated facility.

BENEFITS:

By pooling equipment, critical tasks can be performed simultaneously rather than sequentially, which reduces overall time on the scene and minimizes risk. This prevents duplication of efforts and ensures the right resources are deployed to where they are needed most. Smaller or rural departments with limited budgets or staffing can access specialized equipment from larger agencies during major incidents, which is vital when local resources are insufficient. Sharing resources can lead to significant cost savings in equipment procurement, maintenance, and training, as not every agency needs to own every type of specialized apparatus. A more coordinated and efficient response leads to enhanced safety for both the public and the first responders themselves, with better communication and a stronger support network. Overall, multi-agency apparatus use leverages collective strength to manage a wider array of emergency scenarios, from large structure fires to natural disasters and mass casualty incidents.

FUTURE ACTION:

No future action is anticipated.

FINANCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT:

Additional financial impact is not anticipated above and beyond normal wear & tear maintenance of apparatus.

CURRENT FISCAL YEAR TOTAL COST:

N/A

FISCAL YEAR:

FY 2026 through FY 2031

FUND/DEPARTMENT:

Fire Department

Items related to a project or facility location must include an attached vicinity map for Council Review.

ATTACHMENTS:

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