

## BUSINESS OF THE CITY COUNCIL YAKIMA, WASHINGTON AGENDA STATEMENT

Item No. 7.F. For Meeting of: August 19, 2025

ITEM TITLE: Resolution authorizing a First Response Agreement between Yakima

County Fire Protection District No 4, the City of Union Gap Fire Department and the City of Yakima Fire Department (No Budgetary

Impact)

**SUBMITTED BY:** Aaron Markham, Yakima Fire Chief

## **SUMMARY EXPLANATION:**

The purpose of this agreement is to establish an inter-local agreement for automatic aid response. The reason for this agreement is because Yakima County Fire Protection District No 4 (East Valley Fire Department) has jurisdiction on sections of land that is located on the west side of the Yakima River making access be their agency difficult in an emergency scenario. This land is adjacent to the City of Union Gap Fire Department's jurisdiction, which emergency services are provided by the City of Yakima Fire Department, through a contract. These properties are more easily accessed by Yakima Fire personnel. The property owners in this area pay taxes to the fire district. With this agreement, the City of Yakima Fire Department, as the service provider for the City of Union Gap Fire Department, will be the primary responding agency to the geographical location known as Fire Response Area 96B which is located west of the Yakima River along the I-82 corridor. In return, Yakima County Fire Protection District No 4 (East Valley Fire Department) will provide a Type 1 engine to all first alarm structure fires in Fire Response Area YK96 (the City of Union Gap Fire Department's jurisdiction) as well as provide a Type 1 engine to all first alarm commercial structure fires east of First Avenue in Fire Response Area YK91 (City of Yakima's Station 91 response zone).

**ITEM BUDGETED: N/A** 

STRATEGIC PRIORITY 24-25: A Safe and Healthy Yakima

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt Resolution.

ATTACHMENTS: Resolution.docx Contract.pdf