City of Benson
City Council Communication

Regular Meeting **June 13, 2016**

To: Mayor and Council Agenda Item # 5

From: Keith Spangler, Fire Chief

Subject:

Discussion and possible action regarding Resolution 18-2016 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, approving an Arizona State Forestry Division Cooperative Intergovernmental Agreement, for the protection of its Forests and Wildlands

Discussion:

This Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona State Forestry Division will enable the Fire Department to tap into State and Local resources in the event of a large scale wildland fire. It will also enable the Fire Department to obtain equipment through the State Forestry contracts.

Staff Recommendation:

Approval of Resolution 18-2016

RESOLUTION 18-2016

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, APPROVING AN ARIZONA STATE FORESTRY DIVISION COOPERATIVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT, FOR THE PROTECTION OF ITS FORESTS AND WILDLANDS

WHEREAS, the City of Benson, Arizona is a political subdivision of the State of Arizona; and

WHEREAS, the City of Benson has a Volunteer Fire Department that provides fire prevention and fire protection services; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into a mutually beneficial agreement Arizona State Forestry Cooperative – as it is authorized to do by A.R.S. §11-951 *et seq* – to protect its forests and wildlands; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson have reviewed the terms and conditions of the proposed Agreement between the City of Benson and the Arizona State Forestry Cooperative, and find that entering into it is in the best interests of the City and its residents.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Benson Mayor and Council that the City enter the "*Arizona State Forestry Division Cooperative Intergovernmental Agreement*" Contract No. FD-16-0018-ASF-A3S.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City's officers and staff are authorized to take all steps necessary and proper to implement that Contract and carry out its intents and purposes.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA, this 13th day of June, 2016.

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TONEY D. KING, SR., Mayor

ATTEST:

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VICKI L. VIVIAN, CMC, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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MESCH, CLARK & ROTHSCHILD
By GARY J. COHEN
City's Attorney