City of Benson
City Council Communication

Special Meeting **November 20, 2014**

To: Mayor and Council Agenda Item # 2

From: Keith Spangler, Fire Chief

Subject:

Resolution 30-2014 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona ("City") authorizing the City and its Fire Department to be a partner in a 2014 Assistance to Firefighter Grant that requests, for the City and its Fire Department, 26 Self Contained Breathing Apparatus and a Spare Bottle for each

Discussion:

The purpose in applying for this grant is to purchase a new Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) for the Fire Department. The current SCBA the department has are out dated and not compliant to the new National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) standard. We will be asking for 26 SCBA packs and a spare bottle for each.

Rincon Valley Fire District will be hosting the grant. They will be writing the grant to help get SCBA for themselves and three other fire departments. These departments are Mescal J Six Fire District, Corona De Tucson Fire District and the Benson Fire Department. If awarded, this grant will increase the interoperability of the departments.

The estimated cost for the pack and a spare bottle is $6,000.00 each. The total for the City's portion of the grant will be $156,000.00 not including tax. There is a 5% City match making the City's match not more than $10,000.00.

Staff Recommendation:

Approval of Resolution 30-2014

RESOLUTION 30-2014

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BENSON, ARIZONA ("CITY") AUTHORIZING THE CITY AND ITS FIRE DEPARTMENT TO BE A PARNTER IN A 2014 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTER GRANT THAT REQUESTS, FOR THE CITY AND ITS FIRE DEPARMENT, 26 SELF CONTAINED BREATHING APPARATUS AND A SPARE BOTTLE FOR EACH

WHEREAS, the Rincon Valley Fire District has asked the City and its Fire Department to be a partner---along with the Rincon Valley Fire District, Corona de Tucson Fire District, and Mescal J6 Fire District---in the 2014 Assistance to Firefighter Grant that the Rincon Valley Fire District is preparing and hosting; and

WHEREAS, the City and its Fire Department would request, in the above discussed grant application, up to 26 self contained breathing apparatus, and a spare bottle for each; and

WHEREAS, this grant, if awarded, will require the City to pay a 5% match for the grant, which if awarded in full would be no more than $10,000.00; and

WHEREAS, this grant, whether awarded in part or in full, will benefit the City, its Fire Department and, in turn, its citizens.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, as follows:

1. The Benson Mayor and City Council authorize the City and its Fire Department to be a partner in the 2014 Assistance to Firefighter Grant that the Rincon Valley Fire District is preparing and hosting.

2. The City and its Fire Department will request, in the above discussed grant application, up to 26 self contained breathing apparatus, and a spare bottle for each.

3. The Fire Chief for the City, or any other appropriate representative that he designates or is reasonably required, is hereby authorized to sign documents on behalf of the City that are necessary to apply for and accept this grant, whether awarded in part or in full, consistent with the terms stated herein.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Benson, Arizona, this 20th day of November, 2014.

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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, P.C.
By: GARY J. COHEN, City Attorney