

City Council Report

Date: December 5, 2016

To: City Council

Through: John Pombier, Assistant City Manager

From: Mary Cameli, Interim Fire Chief

Subject: Arizona Mutual Aid Compact (AzMAC)

Strategic Initiatives





Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to request Council approval for the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the State of Arizona to allow the sharing of resources in the event of a major incident in Mesa or other areas of the state.

Background

The City of Mesa has been a past signatory to prior versions of this Compact. This revised compact updates previous gaps in cost recovery, allows school districts to enter the agreement and allows the agreement to be utilized during exercises involving adopted emergency plans. The Arizona Mutual Aid Compact (AzMAC) creates a formal process that allows for participating entities or municipalities to request assistance or, resources permitting, provide assistance.

Discussion

The improvements to the agreement provide better protections and cost containment for participants during emergency responses and exercises/drills.

Alternatives

The new agreement supersedes the old agreement. To not sign would limit the city's ability to respond to and recover from large scale emergencies/disasters.

Fiscal Impact

There are no direct costs associated with the signing of this Compact. If resources are provided to a requesting agency, an established rate of pay or in kind services will be agreed upon.

Coordinated With

COM Emergency Management Division; Mesa Fire and Medical Department.