



# City Council Report

**Date:** September 12, 2022  
**To:** City Council  
**Through:** Scott Butler, City Manager  
**From:** Mary Cameli, Fire Chief  
Jason Nickelson, Fire Maintenance Administrator  
**Subject:** Intergovernmental Agreement between City of Mesa and Rio Verde Fire District for Fire Apparatus Preventive Maintenance and Repairs **(Citywide)**

## Purpose and Recommendation

The purpose of this report is to re-establish the ongoing Intergovernmental Agreement for Apparatus Vehicle Maintenance between the Mesa Fire and Medical Department and Rio Verde Fire District.

## Background

Mesa Fire Maintenance Division has been providing maintenance services to Rio Verde Fire District for five (5) plus years. These services include the following:

- Routine maintenance
- Apparatus rescue and firefighting vehicle repairs
- Testing and documentation of all systems as per National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 1901 (Standard for Automotive Fire Apparatus)
- Cost per year for each Unit maintained reports
- 24/7 on call mechanic

All maintenance services provided are performed by factory trained, Emergency Vehicle Technician (EVT) certified technicians as per NFPA 1901.

## Discussion

Under the terms of the proposed agreement, Mesa Fire Maintenance Division would continue to provide Rio Verde Fire District full maintenance and repair services on a 24/7 basis. These services will be provided by factory trained, EVT certified maintenance personnel, in accordance with NFPA standards.

Rio Verde Fire District currently has a variety of Apparatus. Under the terms of the proposed agreement, their apparatus would be serviced every six (6) months or 6,000 miles and have minimal impact on current operations.

### **Alternatives**

The only alternative would be to not re-establish the Intergovernmental Agreement with Rio Verde Fire District. Rio Verde Fire District would then need to seek maintenance services from private vendors. This would be a difficult task to accomplish due to the fact there are few, if any, qualified Emergency Vehicle Technicians in this area and zero local support after hours. Also, the average regular hourly rate for these services would be well over \$100 per hour.

### **Fiscal Impact**

The cost associated with maintaining the Rio Verde Fire District vehicles would be fully recovered.

Per our draft agreement, Rio Verde Fire District would be charged as follows:

- \$103.04 per hour for work performed during regular work hours
- \$118.21 per hour for work performed after hours and/or holidays

Rio Verde Fire District will pay for all parts and materials utilized in the repair and maintenance of their fire apparatus at cost plus a ten percent handling fee. If outside assistance from other vendors is required, Rio Verde Fire District will reimburse the City of Mesa at cost plus a ten percent handling fee.

### **Coordinated With**

Rio Verde Fire District who are in agreement.