

# **City Council Report**

Date: September 12, 2022

**To**: City Council

Through: Scott Butler, Assistant City Manager

From: Mary Cameli, Fire Chief

Jason Nickelson, Fire Maintenance Administrator

**Subject**: Intergovernmental Agreement between City of Mesa and Town of Gilbert 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 Gilbert Fire Department.

## **Background**

Mesa Fire Maintenance Division has been providing maintenance services to Gilbert Fire Department for one (1) year. 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 Gilbert Fire Department 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.

Gilbert Fire Department 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 Gilbert Fire Department. Gilbert Fire Department 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 Gilbert Fire Department vehicles would be fully recovered.

Per our draft agreement, Gilbert Fire Department 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

Gilbert Fire Department 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, Gilbert Fire Department will reimburse the City of Mesa at cost plus a ten percent handling fee.

### **Coordinated With**

Town of Gilbert – Gilbert Fire Department who are in agreement.