

RESOLUTION NO. R-2019-_____

A RESOLUTION approving an interlocal agreement with the U.S. Department of the Army for a one-year license to use the Yakima Training Center Military Reservation for training purposes

WHEREAS, the City of Yakima Police Department (“YPD”) has the responsibility of protecting lives and property, and keeping the peace; and

WHEREAS, YPD maintains a Special Weapons and Tactics Team (“SWAT”) to provide emergency response in certain high-risk incidents such as terrorist acts, school shootings, hostage negotiations and civil disturbances; and

WHEREAS, inter-agency cooperation and assistance are encouraged and permitted by RCW 10.93, the Mutual Aid Peace Officers Powers Act, and RCW 39.34, Interlocal Cooperation Act; and

WHEREAS, in Chapter 10.93 RCW, the “Washington Mutual Aid Peace Officers Powers Act,” RCW 10.93.001(2) states that it “is the intent of the legislature that current artificial barriers to mutual aid and cooperative enforcement of the laws among general authority local, state and federal agencies be modified” pursuant to Chapter 10.93 RCW; and

WHEREAS, the Department of the Army has provided YPD a one-year non-exclusive license to use certain facilities and land at the Yakima Training Center Military Reservation for training purposes at no cost to the City of Yakima; and

WHEREAS, YPD wishes to take advantage of the training opportunities presented by the use of the Yakima Training Center Military Reservation so that the YPD SWAT unit can best maintain and train for full operational capability; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that it is in the City of Yakima’s best interest to enter a one-year license for YPD and YPD SWAT to use certain facilities and land at the Yakima Training Center Military Reservation for training purposes; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YAKIMA:

The Interlocal Agreement entitled “Department of the Army License Yakima Training Center Military Installation Yakima and Kittitas Counties, Washington” is approved, and the City Manager is authorized and directed to sign the interlocal agreement.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 5th day of August, 2019.

ATTEST:

Kathy Coffey, Mayor

Sonya Claar Tee, City Clerk