

RESOLUTION NO. R-2020-_____

RESOLUTION authorizing a Mutual Aid Agreement between all Yakima County Fire Protection Districts and Cities located within Yakima County.

WHEREAS, each of the fire agencies own and maintain equipment for the suppression of fires and for provision of emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, each of the fire agencies also retain personnel trained to provide various levels of fire suppression and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, the intent of the fire agencies cooperating in this Agreement is to provide the maximum possible protection for the lives and property of the residents within their respective jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the terms of the Yakima County Fire Protection District and Cities Mutual Aid Agreement, attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, the fire agencies intend to render to each other the maximum cooperation possible, through sharing personnel, equipment, and other resources available to them, in order to provide the highest level of fire suppression and emergency medical services; and

WHEREAS, some of the fire agencies may have specialized resources that may be made available to the parties to the Agreement under certain circumstances; and

WHEREAS, the City Council finds and determines that approval of the Mutual Aid Agreement for Emergency Aid Response attached hereto is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Yakima, and that such approval will promote the general health, safety and welfare of the City; now, therefore,

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

The City Manager is authorized and directed to sign the "Yakima County Fire Protection District and Cities Mutual Aid Agreement", attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference, to facilitate the cooperation of the parties toward achieving maximum fire safety and emergency response, for the benefit of the City and each of the parties hereto.

ADOPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL this 19th day of May, 2020.

ATTEST:

Patricia Byers, Mayor

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