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Palmer City Council Meeting

Meeting Date: 11/28/2023
Submitted For: Chad Cameron, Fire Chief
Department: Fire Department
Agenda Category: Action Memorandum
Legislation Number: AM 23-067 **Approved**

Subject

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Five-Year Contract for Rescue Services with the Matanuska-Susitna Borough

Summary Statement/Background

Since the founding of Palmer Fire & Rescue, Palmer firefighters have been responding to motor vehicle accidents within the City of Palmer. In the late 1960s when the relationship was established with the Greater Palmer Fire Service Area (GPCFSA), Palmer firefighters began responding to rescue calls throughout the GPCFSA and other rescue response areas inside the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. In 1980, Palmer Fire realized that specialized tools were needed to extricate entrapped victims from vehicle accident scenes. After several years, the City was able to purchase a vehicle dedicated to rescue and vehicle extrication duties. In the 1980s, training for rescue technicians was standardized, and since then Palmer rescue responders must undergo rigorous, ongoing training to meet certification requirements.

Funds in this legislation will be in the amount of \$65,000 plus 10% of the Fire Chief Wages and Benefits and 10% of Fuel used with 3% increases in years 3,4, and 5 of the contract.

Administration's Recommendation:

Approve Action Memorandum No. 23-067.

Fiscal Impact

Total Amount of funds listed in this legislation: \$88,000+
Legislation creates revenue in the amount of: \$88,000+
Budgeted Y/N?: Y
Line Item(s):

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Attachments

FY24 Palmer Rescue Services new agreement