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CITY COUNCIL ACTION REPORT

SUBJECT: Inter-Governmental Agreement with Avondale Elementary School District for the city to receive irrigation water for Loma Linda Park

STAFF PRESENTER(S): David Seid, Parks and Recreation Manager

Summary: Goodyear and the Avondale Elementary School District desire to establish a formal IGA for the district to supply and deliver park irrigation water to the city at Loma Linda Park that has been historically provided without a formal agreement.

Recommendation: City Council to approve an IGA with Avondale Elementary School District for the district to supply and deliver park irrigation water to the city at Loma Linda Park.

Fiscal Impact: There is no additional cost to the city for this IGA. Current annual water expense of approximately \$1,000 is in the Parks Department General Fund operating budget.

Background and Previous Actions

The Avondale Elementary School District (AESD) has provided flood irrigation water to Loma Linda Park from their well-site on the campus of Eliseo C. Felix Elementary School without an agreement for decades. The district has allowed the city to obtain irrigation water at no cost and the only obligation for Goodyear is the nominal electrical cost to run the pumps that push the water to the park. This arrangement has in turn allowed the city to obtain flood irrigation water at a very low cost.

Staff Analysis

Staff from both organizations have researched water delivery agreements, but were unable to locate a formal agreement that memorialized the water delivery arrangement. Due to the absence of an actual agreement, staff from both organizations are requesting to formalize the water delivery arrangement with this IGA. This IGA formalizes the supply and delivery of irrigation water from AESD to the city at Loma Linda Park as well as outlines the various annual reporting responsibilities of each party related to groundwater usage under Arizona Department of Water Resources (ADWR) guidelines.

Attachments

IGA Signed by AESD on 6/23/20