

CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE, COLORADO
RESOLUTION NO. 12
Series of 2016

TITLE: A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR CONSOLIDATION OF THE WHEAT RIDGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT WITH THE WEST METRO FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, AND USE OF THE CONSOLIDATED DISTRICT FOR FIRE-BASED EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES

WHEREAS, the City of Wheat Ridge is a home rule municipality operating under a home rule charter approved by the electorate under Article XX of the Colorado Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Wheat Ridge City Council, as the governing body for the City, in the exercise of its authority under the charter, has previously approved an Intergovernmental Agreement (the 2011 IGA) with the Wheat Ridge Fire Protection District and Rural/Metro of Central Colorado, Inc, d/b/a Pridemark Paramedic Services (Rural/Metro) for the provision of emergency medical services (EMS) within the City and the service area of the Wheat Ridge Fire Protection District; and

WHEREAS, the Council is aware that the Wheat Ridge Fire Protection District and the West Metro Fire Protection District are currently pursuing consolidation under relevant Colorado statutes, so as to constitute a single Consolidated District; and

WHEREAS, the two Districts have made the Council aware that the fiscal viability of the Consolidated District would be enhanced to the degree the Consolidated District were also to provide EMS services; and

WHEREAS, the Arvada Fire District provides fire-based EMS services and the Fairmount Fire District will contract for EMS within their respective service areas the City; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 IGA for EMS services among the City, Rural/Metro and the Wheat Ridge Fire Protection District permits the City to terminate its participation upon not less than 120 days written notice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Wheat Ridge City Council:

Section 1. The City Council hereby expresses its support for the proposed consolidation of the Wheat Ridge Fire Protection District and the West Metro Fire Protection District.

Section 2. In the event the two Districts are ultimately successful in creating a Consolidated District, the City Council would consider exercising its option to terminate its participation in the 2011 IGA and allow the Consolidated District, the Arvada Fire


District, and the Fairmount Fire District to provide fire-based EMS services within the City, subsequent to and in compliance with the notice requirements of the 2011 IGA.

Section 3. This Resolution shall take effect upon approval by the Council and signature by the Mayor.

DONE AND RESOLVED this 25th day of January, 2016.


Joyce Jay, Mayor

ATTEST:



Janelle Shaver, City Clerk
Kelly H. Stevens, Deputy

