

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-39**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE FLAGSTAFF CITY COUNCIL, APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN ARIZONA STATE PARKS AND THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SITE STEWARD PROGRAM ON FLAGSTAFF OPEN SPACE.**

**RECITALS:**

WHEREAS, Arizona State Parks and the City of Flagstaff ("City") desire to enter into an intergovernmental agreement for the implementation of the Site Steward program on Flagstaff Open Space to outline the mutual responsibilities in applying the Arizona Site Steward program at Picture Canyon Natural and Cultural Preserve (the "Preserve"); and

WHEREAS, the City purchased 478 acres of State Trust lands at the Preserve on October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 as designated open space; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona State Land Department, as a part of its due diligence to protect and preserve the cultural resources present at the Preserve prior to the sale of State Trust lands, required that the City comply with all applicable historic preservation laws and regulations, including the Arizona Antiquities Act, A.R.S. § 41-841 through 41-845; and

WHEREAS, the City passed Resolution 2012-12 adopting a Cultural Resources Policy for Picture Canyon. The resolution protects cultural resources at the Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into the First Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona State Parks Board for the volunteer Site Stewards Program in April 2014; and

WHEREAS, the archaeological resources of the State of Arizona are deemed a valuable and non-renewable resource of the people of Arizona and the people of the United States of America, many of which are currently being subjected to vandalism and other forms of permanent destruction; and

WHEREAS, state and federal laws encourage cooperation among state and federal agencies, local governmental entities, and private citizens; and

WHEREAS, Arizona State Parks and Trails have determined that a program of regular, volunteer visitation of locations of archaeological resources diminishes the rate of their destruction and leads to an improved attitude among local citizens toward archaeological resources in their region; and

WHEREAS, the Flagstaff City Council has determined that the best interests of the City will be served by approving the agreement for the implementation of the Site Steward Program.

**ENACTMENTS:**

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLAGSTAFF AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1. In General.

The Flagstaff City Council hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement between Arizona State Parks and Trails and the City, attached hereto as Exhibit A.

SECTION 2. Effective Date.

This resolution shall be immediately effective upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Flagstaff this 27<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2019.

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MAYOR

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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CITY ATTORNEY

Exhibits:  
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