

Joint Powers Authority Feasibility Study

December 2023





Background



- Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) approved January 2016
 - Initial 2-year term
 - Detailed review of effectiveness after first year
- Amended to extend to a 3-year term
- New IGA in October 2018
 - Initial 5-year term
 - Annual review of effectiveness
 - Update Flagstaff City Council and Fire District Board annually
- IGA Extension



2017 Feasibility Analysis



- Analysis on continuation of Intergovernmental Agreement
 - Completed in November 2017
 - Prepared by Public Safety Research Group
- Scope of Work
 - Met with City and Fire District representative to discuss pilot results
 - Evaluated mid-pilot staff report from FFD
 - Provided fiscal and operational analysis of extending IGA
 - Made recommendations that best meet the mutual and equitable benefit of City and SFMD
- Identified potential for Joint Powers Authority (JPA) in the future



JPA Feasibility Study



- Met with Summit Fire & Medical Board in August 2022
- Identified team members to craft the request for proposal (RFP)
- RFP Scope of Work
 - Evaluate consolidation of all or some of current service provided
 - Conduct meetings with stakeholder groups to gather information
 - Determine the cost of the level of service currently provided
 - Evaluate each Department (operations, administration, systems, etc.)
 - Conduct a site survey of Fire organization (station, buildings, etc.)
 - Identify three options with one recommendation and implementation plan



JPA Feasibility Study



- Evaluation team recommending AP Triton
- Contract cost is \$67,107
 - Original price \$69,969
 - Reduced onsite visits with virtual presentations
 - Shared cost (City - \$46,975 and Summit - \$20,132)
- Project completion 6 – 8 months
- Anticipate project commencement in October/November



AP Triton



- Established in 2014
- Substantial experience in conducting cooperative services and consolidation studies
- Selected team has worked together for several years on a number fire and EMS projects throughout the U.S.



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Questions & Discussion

- Questions from the Summit Fire & Medical Board
- Discussion
 - Agency participation
 - Cost share
 - Approval of contract
- Next steps
 - Support study by providing information and participating in interviews and site visits
 - Final technical review
 - Presentation to Summit Board and City Council