

**RESOLUTION #2022-03**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF CAREFREE, ARIZONA, ACCEPTING INTO THE PUBLIC RECORD THE PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**WHEREAS**, Rural Metro Fire and Emergency Services has been serving the Carefree community and beyond for more than one half century, and

**WHEREAS**, the original individual homeowner subscription was eliminated in 2007 when the Town executed a master contract and began to pay for community fire and emergency services through a 1% increase in the community's sales tax, and

**WHEREAS**, the current contract with Rural Metro is set to expire on June 30, 2022.

**WHEREAS**, in anticipation of this expiring contract and a shift away from Rural Metro in neighboring Cave Creek, the Town Council appointed a citizen committee to review the provision of the fire and emergency service program in Carefree, and

**WHEREAS**, the citizen committee was composed of residents with broad backgrounds which included but not limited public administration, public policy, public finance, business and real estate. The citizen committee was called the Public Safety Advisory Committee (PSAC) and began to conduct publicly posted meetings in April 2021 that had agendas and were recorded, and

**WHEREAS**, the PSAC conducted a comprehensive review of both fire and emergency services as well as law enforcement services, and

**WHEREAS**, this review included comprehensive presentation from various first responding agencies and extensive PSAC review of information and deliberation, and

**WHEREAS**, the PSAC Report and Recommendations are a result of this 8 month public process.

**WHEREAS**, the acceptance of the Committee's Report and Recommendations are the final product of the Committee, and the Committee will be dissolved.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS RESOLVED** by the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Carefree, Arizona that:

1. The PSAC Report and Recommendations dated January 21, 2022 and attached as Exhibit A are accepted into the public record as the "final report" of the PSAC and
2. The PSAC shall be dissolved with the Town Council's acceptance into the public record this final report.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED BY** the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Carefree, Arizona, this 15 day of February, 2022.

AYES 7 NOES 0 ABSTENTIONS 0 ABSENT 0

FOR THE TOWN OF CAREFREE



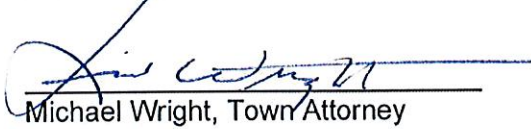
Les Peterson, Mayor

ATTESTED TO:



Kandace French Contreras, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Michael Wright, Town Attorney