




MEMORANDUM

TO: Satpal Sidhu, County Executive and Members of Council

FROM: Michael McFarlane, Parks Director 

DATE: June 8, 2022

RE: **Fire Protection Services Agreement – Fire District No. 14**

Enclosed for review please find the intergovernmental agreement with Fire District No. 14 for fire protection services on park properties pursuant to RCW 52.30.020.

Background and Purpose

This is a longstanding agreement with District 14, which allows for payment of annual fire protection assessments in exchange for fire protection services for Parks properties and equipment within and adjacent to the boundaries of the fire district. Major park properties with improvements in District 14 include the East Whatcom Regional Resource Center, Maple Falls Community Park, Silver Lake Park, and Welcome Senior Center.

This agreement replaces WCC 201804002 which expires at the end of 2022. There are no changes from the prior agreement.

Funding Amount and Source

Parks pays the Fire District annually for these services an amount determined by applying the prevailing operational millage rate for the District per \$1000 of the assessed value of any improvements on Parks properties within the district. This expenditure is included in Parks general operating budget.

For reference, in 2021 Parks paid Fire District 14 a total of \$5,843.42. The 2021 Millage Rate was 1.0599530483. The 2021-22 assessed value of the improvements on the relevant properties is as follows:

EWRRC:	\$ 4,450,000
Maple Falls Community Park:	\$ 6,000
Silver Lake Park:	\$ 996,900
Welcome Senior Center:	\$ 60,000
Total:	$\$5,512,900 \times .001 = 5,512.90 \times 1.0599530483 = \$5,843.42$

If you need anything further, you can reach me at x5855

Thank you!