

**RESOLUTION NUMBER 19-012**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF KETCHUM COMMITTING TO SPECIFIC ACTIONS RELATED TO THE KETCHUM FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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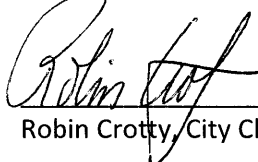
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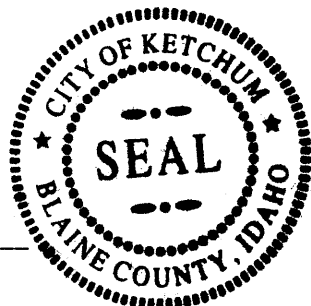
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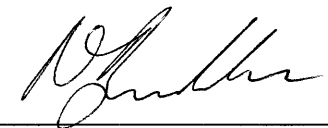
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  - Implementation of KFD 2.0
  - Implementation of interim consolidation measures between all agencies that may include contracts, sharing agreements, joint operation agreements or other cooperative agreements
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PASSED by the City of Ketchum City Council and APPROVED by the Mayor this 6<sup>th</sup> day of May 2019

ATTEST:

  
Robin Crotty, City Clerk



  
Neil Bradshaw, Mayor



City of Ketchum

May 7, 2019

Re: City of Ketchum and Ketchum Rural Fire District Contract

Dear Commissioners:

On May 6, 2019 the Ketchum City Council adopted the attached Resolution 19-012. The Resolution outlines actions the City of Ketchum will take to address concerns raised by the Ketchum Rural Fire District (KRFD). It is our hope these actions will demonstrate a commitment on the part of the City to retain the contract and improve services provided to KRFD.

The City Council also directed staff to pursue the purchase of a new Pierce "quint" ladder truck, with expected delivery within 90 days of the Council approving the financing arrangement expected at the May 20<sup>th</sup> Council meeting.

In addition to the Resolution, the City is prepared to reduce the present contract by \$25,000 for the remainder of this fiscal year while the City obtains new fire apparatus.

As you are aware, the present contract states "In the event the District is dissatisfied with the general level of service being provided by the City under this Agreement, the District shall have the right to petition the Ketchum city Council for review and modification of this Agreement. The procedures provided herein shall be in addition to any other right or remedy available at law or in equity."

The City Council is prepared to enter into discussions with KRFD to modify the present contract to address specific concerns and charges to the District. We welcome the opportunity to work together to resolve any differences.

Thank you for your consideration of this information and I look forward to future discussions.

Sincerely,

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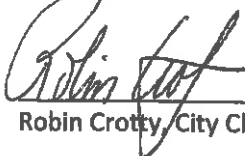
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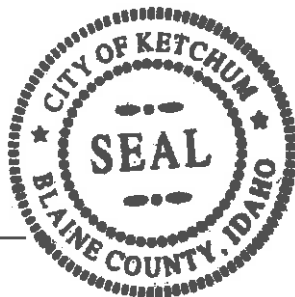
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