## City of Calistoga Staff Report

**TO:** Honorable Mayor and City Council

**FROM:** Steve Campbell, Fire Chief

**DATE:** June 18, 2013

**SUBJECT:** Agreement for Fire Dispatch Services with Cal-Fire

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

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Richard Spitler, City Manager

**ISSUE**: To discuss a fire dispatch service agreement with Cal-Fire for the fiscal year 2013/2014 in the amount of \$28,813.29.

DECOMMENDATION: Adopt the attention

**RECOMMENDATION:** Adopt the attached resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a one-year contract with Cal-Fire to provide fire dispatch services to the city of Calistoga in an amount not to exceed \$28,813.29.

**BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:** For many years the Napa County (County) has provided dispatch services as part of the fire service contract in which Calistoga provides emergency fire services to the unincorporated areas outside of the City limits. Last year, the County requested that Calistoga contract directly with Cal-Fire for dispatch services at a total cost of \$56,000.00, with the City agreeing to pay one-half the cost of dispatch services for a total of \$28,000.00 to the County. In turn the County would contract with Cal-Fire on the City's behalf.

Over the past year, staff has been in contract negotiations with the County. The City and the County have both agreed that the City will contract directly with Cal-Fire for one-half the cost of dispatch services for \$28,813.29 and the County will pay the remaining half of dispatch.

Staff has been looking into the possibilities of other dispatch options with Napa Dispatch, RedCom and the City Police Department. Staff has determined the best option at this time is to enter into an agreement with Cal-Fire.

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Over the next year Staff will continue researching other dispatch options that may have a cost savings.

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<u>FISCAL IMPACT:</u> The City will pay Cal-Fire one-half the cost of Fire Dispatch Services for a total of \$28,813.29. This cost will be offset by the \$185,200.00 minimum annual revenue from the County for fire emergency services.

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## **ATTACHMENT:**

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- 1. Draft Resolution
- 2. Agreement No.1CA02072 between Cal-Fire and the City of Calistoga.