City of Calistoga Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council

FROM: Richard Spitler, City Manager

DATE: April 21, 2015

SUBJECT: To Consider a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to execute a

Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Calistoga and the

Calistoga Professional Firefighters' Association (CPFA)

APPROVAL FOR FORWARDING:

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Richard D. Spitler, City Manager

ISSUE: To consider a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Calistoga and Calistoga Professional

Firefighters' Association.

RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Resolution approving a one-year Memorandum of Understanding for the period of January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 between the City of Calistoga and the Calistoga Professional Firefighters' Association and authorize the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding.

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<u>DISCUSSION</u>: The City's negotiating team and Calistoga Professional Firefighters' Association (CPFA) conducted three negotiating sessions before completing negotiations and signing a tentative agreement on March 12, 2015. The tentative agreement is for a one-year Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The bargaining unit is made up of 3 employees. The proposed MOU contains the following changes from the prior agreement terms:

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1. <u>Article 14: Cost of Living Adjustment:</u> Effective January 1, 2015, the unit will receive a wage adjustment of 3%.

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2. Article 14 B Wages – In the event that a full-time City of Calistoga Firefighter is dispatched from the City to serve as a strike team member in or out of the State of California reimbursement for time served on the strike team shall be eligible for compensation when they leave the station (and return), rather than when they arrive at the scene (or leave).

Firefighters performing strike team work during the firefighters regular work shift shall be compensated at their regular hourly rate of pay for all hours worked. Firefighters performing strike team work outside of the firefighters regular shift shall be compensated at time and one-half (1.5) of their regular hourly rate of pay for all hours committed to the incident.

3. <u>Classification and Compensation Study</u>: The parties agree to meet and confer within thirty (30) days of the City Council's acceptance of the final results of the Koff and Associates Classification and Compensation study of 2015. The purpose of this meet and confer is to discuss the findings of the study and shall not bind the City and/or guarantee the employee any specific outcome.

4. <u>Article 30: Term:</u> The term of this agreement shall be in effect from January 1, 2015 and shall remain in full force and effect from that date through December 31, 2015.

5. All other items and conditions of employment not addressed in this staff report that are included in the parties' Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) in effect from January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2014 shall continue to remain in effect and unchanged during the term of the MOU.

FISCAL IMPACT: The fiscal impact of the Memorandum of Understanding changes is as follows:

1. Employee Compensation:

a. Fiscal Year 2014/15 Anticipated Fiscal Impact: \$5,146

b. Fiscal Year 2015/16 Anticipated Fiscal Impact: \$5,146

 2. Article 14 B Wages:

 a. Fiscal Year 2014/15 No additional fiscal impact; compensation to be reimbursed by CalOES
b. Fiscal Year 2015/16 No additional fiscal impact; compensation to be

3. Classification and Compensation Survey:

reimbursed by Cal OES

a. Staff will be bringing this item back to council for consideration and approval for any additional adjustments.

Employee compensation for FY 2014/15 will be expensed in FY 2014/15. The Fiscal Year 2015/16 additional anticipated expense is for the time period of July 2015 through December 2015 and will be included in the Fiscal Year 2015/16 Budget.

The fiscal impact for FY 2014/15 has appropriated \$3,431 in the FY 2014/15 budget which was adopted on June 17, 2014. The remaining \$1,715 will come from health insurance savings due to lower Kaiser premiums than anticipated.

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ATTACHMENTS

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- 1. Draft Resolution
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 2. Draft Memorandum of Understanding with Calistoga Professional Firefighters'
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RESOLUTION NO. 2015-XXX

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL, OF THE CITY OF CALISTOGA, COUNTY OF STATE OF CALIFORNIA, APPROVING Α **MEMORANDUM** UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CALISTOGA PROFESSIONAL FIREFIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION FROM JANUARY 1, 2015 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2015 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF **UNDERSTANDING**

WHEREAS, pursuant to provisions of the California State Government Code certain employees in specific positions of the City of Calistoga have organized themselves into a bargaining unit; and

WHEREAS, the employees in specified positions are recognized as the Calistoga Professional Firefighters' Association (CPFA); and

WHEREAS, the City of Calistoga has negotiated with the CPFA in the past to establish a Memorandum of Understanding agreement (MOU) to outline benefits and compensation for positions that are part of CPFA; and

WHEREAS, the MOU executed between the City of Calistoga and the CPFA expired on December 31, 2014; and

WHEREAS, the City of Calistoga and representatives of the CPFA have negotiated in good faith for a new MOU as set forth in the attached MOU; and

WHEREAS, the City Council and representatives of the CPFA have agreed in principle to the terms of the new MOU and signed tentative agreements on March 12, 2015 to this effect.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Calistoga hereby approves the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Calistoga and Calistoga Professional Firefighters' Association for a period from January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 shown as Exhibit A to this resolution and authorizes the City Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding agreement.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Calistoga at a regular meeting held this 21st day of April, 2015, by the following vote:

NOES:	
ABSTAIN:	
ABSENT:	
	CHRIS CANNING, Mayo
ATTEST:	

KATHY FLAMSON, City Clerk

AYES: