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### MEMORANDUM

Date: 01/19/2022

To: Board Directors

Attn: Matt Furrer

President

From: Fire District Staff

Subject: Appointment of Representative to the Fire Agencies Insurance Risk Authority

(FAIRA) Resolution No. 2022-01

# **BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S BRIEFING PAPER**

#### ISSUE:

Staff is asking for the Board of Directors to designate the District Fire Chief as the Board's representative to the FAIRA Board of Directors.

#### BACKGROUND:

In 1987, one of the largest insurers for California Fire Districts informed the fire industry that they would not be renewing their insurance in the coming year. California Fire Districts were surveyed, and the response was overwhelming that an insurance alternative was desperately needed. This was when FAIRA was conceived.

Chiefs and Board Directors of the eleven Charter Fire Protection Districts worked together for over a year to draft the original Joint Powers Authority Agreement, Bylaws, and fulfilled all of the legal and registration requirements with the Secretary of State. The Chiefs and Directors of the charter Districts each dedicated many hours of work and attended multiple meetings throughout the state. The individual Districts provided their own support and expected no compensation in return. The Fresno County Fire Protection District is a charter member of FAIRA.

Today FAIRA is the largest and only multi-state Fire District pool in the United States. The charter Districts who have been Members since inception have received cumulative savings of 50% or more in actual dollars, even while experiencing considerable growth in the same time period. Many years later, FAIRA is now insuring 105 Fire Protection Agencies/JPA's in Nevada and California and is continuing to grow. The insurance pool offers services beyond the purchase of insurance that include contract review, risk management, loss control and a host of training tools.

### **DISCUSSION:**

With the departure of the District Executive Officer who was the representative to the FAIRA Board for over 8 years, the District needs a new representative to the FAIRA Board. The new representative will provide continuity and continue to represent the District's interests within the Insurance JPA.

### **ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board chooses to not to designate the District Executive Officer as the Board's representative to the FAIRA Board of Directors. The Board will need to designate another suitable replacement and edit the resolution accordingly.

<u>IMPACTS</u> (Consider potential consequences related to each of the following areas of concern for proposed alternatives):

Fiscal – No known impacts
Operational – No known impacts
Legal – No known impacts
Labor – No known impacts
Sociopolitical – No known impacts
Policy – No known impacts
Health and safety – No known impacts
Environmental – No known impacts
Interagency – No known impacts

# **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff is recommending that the Board of Directors approves Resolution No. 2022-01 appointing the District Fire Chief, Dustin Hail as the representative to FAIRA.

APPROVED:

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Administration Officer

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## RESOLUTION No. 2022-01

IN THE MATTER OF:

1.

A RESOLUTION OF THE FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS DESIGNATING THE FIRE CHIEF OF THE DISTRICT AS THE FIRE AGENCIES INSURANCE RISK AUTHORITY (FAIRA) REPRESENTATIVE.

**WHEREAS**, the Fresno County Fire Protection District ("District") desires to appoint the Fire Chief as the representative to FAIRA; and,

**WHEREAS**, the District Fire Chief's duties are to oversee, or cause to be overseen, the business operations of the District consistent with direction by the District Board of Directors; and.

**WHEREAS**, the necessary qualifications for the appointment for the District Fire Chief have been satisfied by the District and the individual to be designated is the District Fire Chief, Dustin Hail;

### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

Representative.

The foregoing Resolution was duly PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED at the regular meeting of the District Board of Directors held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2022, at Fresno, California, on motion made by Director \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Director \_\_\_\_\_ and duly carried with the following roll call vote:

AYES: \_\_\_\_

The District Fire Chief, Dustin Hail, is appointed as the District FAIRA

NOES:	_	
ABSENT:		
ABSTAIN:	_	Matt Furrer, Board President

# **Certification of Resolution**

### ATTEST:

I **DeShaunda Hermosillo** duly appointed as the Clerk of the Board of the Fresno County Fire Protection District do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of District **Resolution No. 2022-01**.

WITNESS MY HAND OF THE FRESNO COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of January 2022.

Signature

Clerk of the Board, Fresno County Fire Protection District