

**RESOLUTION NO. R2025-033**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YUMA, ARIZONA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR THE JOINT OPERATION AND USE OF A REGIONAL SCHOOL SAFETY SYSTEM AND PROGRAM BETWEEN THE CITY OF YUMA AND SOMERTON SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 11**

WHEREAS, A.R.S. §11-252 *et. seq.*, Article III, Section 13 of the Yuma City Charter, and A.R.S. §15-342.13 authorize the City of Yuma (City) and Somerton School District No. 11 (District) to enter into Intergovernmental Agreements (IGAs); and,

WHEREAS, the City and District are desirous to jointly implement and use the regional School Safety Interoperability System; and,

WHEREAS, there is a compelling interest in developing and ensuring coordinated, effective and efficient interoperable systems for the purpose of providing law enforcement, fire and emergency medical rescue, emergency management services, and other services provided by public safety agencies and government agencies within the Yuma County region; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and benefit to the public safety, health and welfare of the citizens of the City and staff and students of the District along with other cities and towns within Yuma County to jointly use the regional School Safety Interoperability System; and,

WHEREAS, the Arizona Department of Administration provided the Yuma Police Department legislatively appropriated state funds from the School Safety Interoperability Fund for the purpose of establishing a school safety program that meets fund requirements in A.R.S. §41-1733; and,

WHEREAS, the City and District are desirous to allocate procured School Safety Interoperability System components to City and District communications assets to implement and use the system; and,

WHEREAS, the City and District are desirous to participate in a School Safety Interoperability working group to continually evaluate and enhance program performance;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Yuma as follows:

SECTION 1: The City Council finds establishing a School Safety Interoperability System and program with the District is in the public interest and will promote a safe and prosperous City.

SECTION 2: On behalf of the City of Yuma, the City Administrator is authorized and directed to execute the attached and incorporated Intergovernmental Agreement.

Adopted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

APPROVED:

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Douglas J. Nicholls  
Mayor

ATTESTED:

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Lynda L. Bushong  
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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Richard W. Files  
City Attorney