



City of Ketchum

CITY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA MEMO

Meeting Date: Staff Member/Dept:

Agenda Item:

Recommended Motion:

I move to approve adding an additional firefighter/EMT position.

Reasons for Recommendation:

- Fire and EMS call volume increased by 18% between 2020 and 2022. Currently, call volume in 2023 is up an additional 23% over 2022. With more overlapping calls, maintaining daily staffing at 4 fire personnel is needed to cover 2 ambulances.
- The Blaine County Ambulance District approved an increase in contract payment of \$241,062 to maintain that staffing at 4 people. The fire department has been using part-time staff when possible, but part-time staff have not able to cover all the open shifts.
- This position will be filled through the end of the fiscal year. Continuation will be based on available funding for ambulance service.

Policy Analysis and Background (non-consent items only):

Sustainability Impact:

None

Financial Impact:

None OR Adequate funds exist in account:	Adequate funds available in contract, budget amendment necessary.
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