



City of Tualatin

CITY OF TUALATIN Staff Report

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

THROUGH: Sherilyn Lombos, City Manager

FROM: Rachel Sykes, Public Works Director
Bert Olheiser, Street / Storm / Sewer Division Manager

DATE: April 25, 2022

SUBJECT:

Consideration of Updates to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Cooperative Public Agencies of Washington County (CPAWC) Association to Retain Membership

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that Council approve a renewal/update to the IGA, allowing the City to remain a member of the CPAWC association.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

Since 1994, the City of Tualatin has been a member of CPAWC, a working group of thirty public agencies that joined together with the intent of increased coordination amongst public works entities. Membership in the group (via IGA), allows the City to share equipment, execute joint purchasing efforts, share resources and information, and promote regional solutions/economies of scale. CPAWC administration is seeking an update to the IGA: current signatures from member agencies has been requested. All other provisions of the IGA will remain the same.

Membership in CPAWC has offered the City of Tualatin many benefits. A few examples are listed below:

- During the ice storm event in 2021, Tualatin was able to easily borrow dump trucks and backhoes from Clean Water Services and Washington County for debris removal.
- Cooperative purchase of de-icer for winter roadway maintenance with the City of Lake Oswego.
- Shared training opportunities, for topics such as traffic control and confined space.
- Use of Washington County loader equipment for stormwater maintenance needs.

Membership in CPAWC is beneficial for sharing knowledge and resources for routine operational needs, but is also a crucial element in emergency preparedness and response. A shared regional approach leads to budgetary and operational efficiencies, collaborative approach to shared issues, and networking opportunities for public works leaders.

OUTCOMES OF DECISION:

Updated signature on the IGA will allow Tualatin to remain in the CPAWC association.

ALTERNATIVES TO RECOMMENDATION:

Not updating the IGA could lead to the end of our membership in this association. This is not recommended.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

The City's membership in CPAWC is low cost, with annual dues set at \$150.

ATTACHMENTS:

- CPAWC IGA