

**TOWN OF PRESCOTT VALLEY
REQUEST FOR COUNCIL ACTION
Date: September 23, 2010**

SUBJECT: Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County for AZLink Participation

SUBMITTING DEPARTMENT: Police Department

PREPARED BY: Candace Manibusan, Administrative Supervisor, on behalf of Chief Jim Maxson

AGENDA LOCATION: Comments/Communications , Consent , Work/Study ,
New Business , Public Hearing , Second Reading

ATTACHMENTS: a) Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County b) MOU between Department of Homeland Security and AZLink Collaboration

SUMMARY/BACKGROUND: AZLink is a statewide law enforcement program for sharing criminal justice information across various local, state and federal agencies. CopLink is the analysis toolset used by participating agencies for retrieval and analysis of repository information. There are two ways agencies can participate in the AZLink program: 1) access information provided by contributing agencies, and 2) provide information for other agencies to access. Ownership and control of shared information remains with the contributing agency.

The AZLink network is composed of four data centers that will support all law enforcement agencies in Arizona. Based on intergovernmental data sharing agreements each participating agency is connected to one data center and will have access to information across all four data centers. Administering agencies for data centers are: Tucson PD (Southern Region), Mesa PD (Eastern Region), Phoenix PD (Central Region), and Maricopa County SO (Northern Region).

Information shared includes police department incident reports, jail booking information and mug shots, driver's license information, vehicle registrations, and much more. Information from the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) is also available. Each agency is expected to share information with other participating AZLink agencies. The contributing agency works directly with the CopLink vendor to merge data and establish an ongoing feed from the data source into the regional server.

Contributing agencies are responsible for costs of the initial implementation and future maintenance of data sources. Homeland Security grant funds are available through Maricopa County SO to assist agencies with these expenses. In addition, support costs for regional data centers are shared by all participating agencies within the region on a pro-rated basis. The Maricopa County SO has also agreed to host the Northern Regional data center at no charge to participating agencies during a pilot period that ends September 1, 2011. The current IGA being submitted for approval is for data sharing only and no money is involved at this time. After the initial pilot period, there will be some costs associated with maintaining the data source which will be shared by all participating agencies. It is unknown if grant funds will be available for the anticipated expenses; however, Maricopa County SO is seeking additional funding for this purpose. Any expenses deferred to participating agencies will be outlined in subsequent IGA's.

OPTION ANALYSIS: The Council may vote to:

- 1.) Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County, **OR**
- 2.) Not approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County, **AND/OR**
- 3.) Direct staff to pursue other options

ACTION OPTION: Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County for sharing law enforcement information through the AZLink Northern Arizona Region, **OR** Motion not to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement. **VOTE**

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Maricopa County for sharing law enforcement information through the AZLink Northern Arizona Region.

FISCAL ANALYSIS: There are no initial fiscal obligations for the Prescott Valley Police Department to participate in this statewide law enforcement information sharing program. All costs associated with implementation of the data source will be fully covered through Homeland Security grant funding procured by the Maricopa County SO. In addition, annual support costs for the regional data center are being waived for a pilot period ending September 1, 2011. It is anticipated there will be future costs to support and maintain participation in AZLink beyond the pilot period; however, additional grant funds may be available at that time. Any expenses to participating agencies will be outlined in subsequent IGA's and submitted to Council for approval.

REVIEWED BY:

Management Services Director _____ Town Clerk _____

Town Attorney _____

Town Manager _____

COUNCIL ACTION:

Approved Denied Tabled/Deferred Assigned to _____