COUNCIL DECISION REQUEST

SUBJECT: NAMWUA Representatives

MEETING DATE: Nov. 16, 2006

CSP ITEM: Yes X No ☐ KRA#2

ITEM NO.:

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE: Immediate

SUBMITTED BY: Buzz Walker

AMOUNT BUDGETED: $-0-

SUBMITTAL TO AGENDA
APPROVED BY TOWN MANAGER

EXPENDITURE REQUIRED: $-0-

CONT. FUNDING REQUIRED: N/A

EXHIBITS (If Applicable, To Be Attached): NAMWUA Mission Statement

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RECOMMENDED MOTION: I MOVE TO DESIGNATE ANDY ROMANCE AS THE TOWN OF PAYSON REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NORTHERN ARIZONA MUNICIPAL WATER USERS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND TO DESIGNATE BOB EDWARDS AS THE FIRST ALTERNATE AND BUZZ WALKER AS THE SECOND ALTERNATE.

SUMMARY OF THE BASIS FOR RECOMMENDED MOTION: The Town of Payson is a member of the Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association that is a group of city and town municipal water providers including Payson, Flagstaff, Prescott, Prescott Valley, Cottonwood, Clarkdale, Chino Valley, Williams and Sedona. The group's purpose is to assist each member entity in developing a sustainable water supply for each member community. Actions by the group include review and comment on proposed state and federal legislation, communication with the Arizona Dept. of Water Resources, Indian tribes, local planning groups, the Arizona Municipal Water Users Association (Valley area cities and towns), Salt River Project, etc.

Each member community must designate a representative and alternates to the Board of Directors. Andy Romance has expressed interest in being designated as a representative from Payson. The Board meets quarterly. Staff of the member communities comprises the Technical Action Committee, which develop action plans for the Board.

PROS: Assist the Town of Payson in developing a sustainable water supply.

CONS: N/A

PUBLIC INPUT (if any): Membership approved by prior Council.

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTIONS/RECOMMENDATIONS (if any) (give dates and attach minutes): N/A

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Northern Arizona Municipal Water Users Association

MISSION

The municipal water providers of Northern Arizona will combine our expertise and resources to develop a regional sustainable supply of water for our communities futures.

GOALS

*Embrace the concept of sustainability through safe yield volumes of water supplied to our communities.

*Quantify existing and projected water budgets for our individual communities.

*Quantify regional water use and needs.

*Identify existing tools available to meet future demand i.e., water banking C.A.P. infrastructure, recharge options both public and private.

*Identify water right needs for the future of our communities.

*Identify legislative and financial obstacles to accomplishing service delivery objectives as it relates to water entitlement.

*Identify infrastructure needs and obstacles to our mission of water delivery.

*Develop water acquisition strategy.

*Develop legislative strategy.

*Develop plan to support all regional efforts to construct the appropriate infrastructure.

*Develop and maintain working relationship (collaborative) with ADWR, downstream right holders, private sector water users and other regional entities.

SHORT TERM STRATEGIES (2 YEARS)

1. Each member present water profile, needs and problems to group – December 2002
2. Identify commonalities and shortcomings, infrastructure, resources, conflicts, expertise – December 2002
3. Identify new water resources – June 2003
4. Identify group structures and authority and get Councils' approval/endorse - September 2002
5. Identify and recognize group representation – February 2003
6. Finalize mission, goals, strategy – July 2002
7. Develop mid-term/long-term strategies – January 2003

MID-TERM (5 YEARS)

1. Acquire water right, sufficient for 100 year assured water supply that is renewable and sustainable.

LONG-TERM STRATEGIES (20 YEARS)

2. Deliver water via infrastructure and/or agreements.