

AGENDA REPORT

DATE August 3, 2004

ITEM: MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO PROVIDE FIRE AND EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE TO INTERNATIONAL MALTING COMPANY COMPLEX

INITIATED BY: RANDY MCCAMLEY, FIRE CHIEF

ACTION REQUESTED: APPROVE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR FIRE AND MEDICAL RESPONSE TO INTERNATIONAL MALTING COMPANY COMPLEX

PRESENTED BY: RANDY MCCAMLEY, FIRE CHIEF

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Commission approve the Memorandum of Understanding to provide Fire and Emergency Medical response to International Malting located at 120 Black Eagle Road, Cascade County.

MOTION:

“I move the City Commission approve the Memorandum of Understanding with International Malting Company to provide Fire and Medical response from Great Falls Fire Rescue and the City Manager be authorized to execute the same.”

SYNOPSIS:

IMC has requested Fire and Emergency Medical response services by Great Falls Fire Rescue to their complex located approximately 1 mile northeast of the City of Great Falls. This new commercial property is waiting for annexation into the City of Great Falls, and is currently served by Black Eagle Rural Volunteer Fire District. Great Falls Fire Rescue has the ability to provide service to this area.

BACKGROUND:

IMC is a large agricultural based processing facility which occupies a considerable geographic area just north of Great Falls. IMC has applied for annexation into the City and in November of 2003 the City-County Planning Board conducted a public hearing and recommended approval of the annexation subject to fulfillment of specified conditions. Substantial building construction has already occurred at the complex which includes a large metal and concrete structure with numerous 135 foot storage silos' s nearing the construction phase. Annexation into the City is pending completion of the Annexation Agreement, a draft copy of which was provided to IMC several months ago. Additional language needs to be added to the Agreement primarily pertaining to storm drainage issues, which is being drafted by City Public Works. The Planning Staff estimates the final annexation proposal could be presented to the Commission for approval within the next couple of months.

Memorandum of Understanding

Between

City of Great Falls

And

International Malting Company

Interim Fire and Emergency Medical Response

The City of Great Falls agrees to provide Fire and Emergency Medical Response to International Malting Company (IMC) located at 120 Black Eagle Road Cascade County Montana. This agreement will become effective August 9th 2004, and remain in effect until formal annexation of the aforementioned property is finalized. In the event that annexation into the City of Great Falls is not achieved, this agreement will be terminated following a 30 day written notice by the City. The responsibility for Fire and EMS services for the IMC complex will become the responsibility of IMC and the jurisdiction having authority.

_____ Date _____
John Lawton
City Manager
City of Great Falls

_____ Date _____
David Brunette
Director of Operation
International Malting Co.