

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-102

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AND APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF ROCK SPRINGS, WYOMING AND THE ROCK SPRINGS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, AND AUTHORIZING TIMOTHY A. KAUMO, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ROCK SPRINGS, WYOMING, AND MATTHEW L. MCBURNETT, AS CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF ROCK SPRINGS TO EXECUTE SAID AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF SAID CITY.

WHEREAS, the City of Rock Springs and the Rock Springs Chamber of Commerce have previously entered into an agreement regarding the construction, operation, and ownership of the Rock Springs Chamber Visitor Complex; and,

WHEREAS, The Rock Springs Chamber of Commerce wishes to reaffirm its obligations under said agreement through the attached Memorandum of Understanding (MOU); and,

WHEREAS, the Governing body of the City of Rock Springs has said MOU before it and has given it careful review and consideration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF ROCK SPRINGS, STATE OF WYOMING:

Section 1. That the terms and conditions of the MOU with the Rock Springs Chamber of Commerce, attached hereto and by this reference specifically made a part hereof is hereby accepted and approved by the City of Rock Springs.

Section 2. That the Mayor of the City of Rock Springs be, and he is hereby authorized, empowered and directed to execute said MOU on behalf of said City; and that the City Clerk of said City, be and he is hereby authorized and directed to attest to said MOU and to attach to said MOU a certified copy of this resolution.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ day of _____, 2019.

President of the Council

Mayor

Attest:

City Clerk



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Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Rock Springs

Under the current agreement, The City of Rock Springs owns the Rock Springs Chamber Visitor Complex until May 2021. The Chamber, as part of that obligation will staff, operate and maintain the building to the best of our ability. At the end of May 2021, ownership of the building and its contents reverts back to the Rock Springs Chamber of Commerce, a 501c(6) business organization.

We have been notified that the governing body of the City of Rock Springs has approved the proposed budget for \$39,501.00 for FY 2020. The Rock Springs Chamber of Commerce is appreciative of the partnership we enjoy with the city of Rock Springs and recognize our responsibility to adhere to the MOU which includes:

- A. Maintain a Business Success Tools Kit with programs that will provide examples of Business Plans.
- B. Provide a Fully Functioning Website that will provide information on how to retain or expand existing and startup businesses.
- C. Provide a Workforce Development Program which partners with local businesses and industry to determine specific needs and gaps in workforce.
- D. Maintain a GIS Listing of local commercial, industrial and retail properties to provide property listings-site specific map and finder.
- E. The Rock Springs Chamber will provide written or oral updates to the City Council on a quarterly basis. The Director will also meet monthly with Mayor of Rock Springs.
- F. Provide assistance to start-ups and existing businesses. Work with new and potential businesses looking to relocate.

The Chamber Flag Program, which began in 2017 continues to assist both in educating the local residents and visitors to the area. This program operates under a donation budget and is a popular visual for the City of Rock Springs.

The Chamber Luncheons continue to attract guests and provide a venue for monthly opportunities for educating, networking and informing. There are also opportunities for investors in the community to meet together often at various gatherings throughout the year.

Moving forward; the Chamber will be active in assuming the roles of the three values of Chambers of Commerce:



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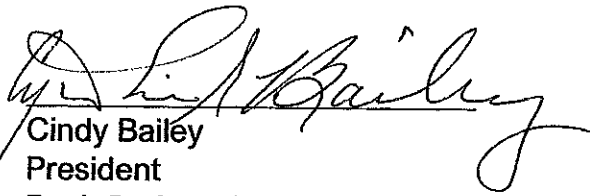


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1. Be a Catalyst – An innovator in attracting and encouraging business to succeed in Rock Springs. To work closely with the City of Rock Springs on business projects such as the Sweetwater County Industrial Development Plan Project and the Bitter Creek Improvement Project
2. Be a Convener – We will establish effect committees whose purpose is to strengthen the community in business and social awareness. (government, and faith-based committees etc.)
3. Be a Champion – Assuming the role of serving and helping ease the burdens of responsibility that the City has for its citizens. We will work with the City to help those who stand in need.

The overall mission of the Chamber is to assist the City of Rock Springs in being successful. We contribute to the partnership of Sweetwater County and desire to provide assistance in any possible and reasonable way that the Council sees fit to utilize our services.


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