

RESOLUTION 2769

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO FORMALLY REQUEST A FEDERAL NEGOTIATION TEAM TO ASSIST IN THE SETTLEMENT OF THE TONTO APACHE TRIBE'S WATER RIGHTS CLAIMS AND AUTHORIZING THE TOWN TO PARTICIPATE IN NEGOTIATIONS TO RESOLVE SUCH CLAIMS.

WHEREAS, the Tonto Apache Tribe ("the Tribe") is in negotiations with various non federal parties to resolve the Tribe's water rights claims; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Payson is participating in these negotiations; and

WHEREAS, one requirement of the negotiations is the appointment of a Federal Negotiation Team; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Interior has requested that the Tribe and other non federal parties formally request the appointment of such Team.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, DO HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. That the Mayor is authorized, on behalf of the Town of Payson, to formally request that the appropriate official or officials of the United States Department of the Interior appoint a Federal Negotiation Team to assist in settling the water right claims of the Tonto Apache Tribe.

Section 2. That the Mayor, appropriate Town Staff, and counsel for the Town to the extent the Mayor and Staff deem prudent, are authorized to participate in negotiations with the goal of resolving the water right claims of the Tonto Apache Tribe.

PASSED AND ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF PAYSON, ARIZONA, this ____ day of April, 2014, by the following vote:

AYES ____ NOES ____ ABSTENTIONS ____ ABSENT ____

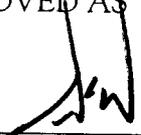
Kenny J. Evans, Mayor

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ATTEST:

Silvia Smith, Town Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Timothy M. Wright, Town Attorney